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2001 Football Schedule

Sept. 1 at California
Sept. 8 NORTHERN ILLINOIS
"Illini Street Fest/
Salute to Agriculture"
Sept. 15 LOUISVILLE
"Dad's Day/
Varsity "I" Day/Band Day"

Sept. 22 at Michigan
Oct. 6 MINNESOTA
"Foundation Day"
Oct. 13 at Indiana
Oct. 20 WISCONSIN
"Homecoming"
Nov. 3 at Purdue
Nov. 10 PENN STATE
"Salute to Education"
Nov. 17 at Ohio State
Nov. 22 NORTHWESTERN
"Thanksgiving Day"

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STEVE FITTS

Ray Guy Award
Candidate

JERRY SCHUMACHER

Butkus Award Candidate

LUKE BUTKUS

Dave Rimington
Award Candidate

ANTOINEO HARRI

All-Big-Ten Candidate

ROCKY HARVEY

Doak Walker
Award Candidate

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ILLINI FOOTBALL

2001 ILLINOIS FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

Head Coach: Ron Turner

Alma Mater: Pacific, '77

Record at Illinois: 16-29

Record overall: 23-33

Seasons at Illinois: Fifth season

Asst. Head Coach/O-Line: Harry Hiestand

Alma Mater: East Stroudsburg, '83

Seasons at Illinois: Fifth season

Defensive Coordinator: Mike Cassidy

Alma Mater: Kentucky, '76

Seasons at Illinois: First season

Running Backs: Jim Helms

Alma Mater: Texas, '67

Seasons at Illinois: Fifth season

Wide Receivers/Recruiting: Robert Jackson

Alma Mater: Northern Illinois, '74

Seasons at Illinois: Third season

Linebackers: Osia Lewis

Alma Mater: Oregon State, '86

Seasons at Illinois: Fifth season

Secondary/Safeties: Mike Mallory

Alma Mater: Michigan, '85

Seasons at Illinois: First season

Tight Ends/Special Teams: Greg McMahon

Alma Mater: Eastern Illinois, '82

Seasons at Illinois: 10th season

Quarterbacks: Dan O'Dell

Alma Mater: San Jose State, '98

Seasons at Illinois: First season

Defensive Line: Donnie Thompson

Alma Mater: UConn, '75

Seasons at Illinois: First season

Graduate Assistants: James Williams

Matt Leuke

Strength Coach: Jim Zielinski

Director of Football Operations: Deryk Gilmore

Director of Sports Medicine: Al Martindale

Equipment Manager: Trent Chesnut

Video Coordinator: Steve Cramer

2000 Record: 5-6, 2-6 Big Ten

Offensive Formation: Pro-style

Defensive Formation: Multiple 4-3

Letterwinners returning/lost: 47/16

Offensive starters returning/lost: 7/4

Defensive starters returning/lost: 6/5

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UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS

Location: Champaign-Urbana

Founded: 1867

Enrollment: 36,000

Colors: Orange & Blue

Nickname: Fighting Illini

Conference: Big Ten

President: James J. Stukel

Chancellor: Michael T. Aiken

Director of Athletics: Ron Guenther

Alma Mater: Illinois, '67

Stadium: Memorial Stadium

Capacity: 70,900

Surface: Astro Turf

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2000 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	REC.
Sept. 2	Middle Tennessee	W	35-6	35,032	1-0
Sept. 9	at San Diego State	W	49-13	26,779	2-0
Sept. 16	California	W	17-15	50,181	3-0
Sept. 23	Michigan	L	31-35	72,524	3-1
Sept. 30	at Minnesota	L	10-44	44,462	3-2
Oct. 14	Iowa	W	31-0	62,639	4-2
Oct. 21	at Penn State	L	25-39	96,475	4-3
Oct. 28	at Michigan State	L	10-14	73,826	4-4
Nov. 4	Indiana	W	42-35	54,283	5-4
Nov. 11	Ohio State	L	21-24	61,207	5-5
Nov. 18	at Northwestern	L	23-61	40,658	5-6

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ILLINI FOOTBALL LOOKS FOR EXPLOSIVE 2001 SEASON

ILLIONIS ADDS NEW COACHES AND DEFENSIVE SCHEME TO SPRING BALL MIX

Under head coach Ron Turner the University of Illinois football program has become one of the most explosive in school history and the 2001 season looks to provide more of the same.

Illinois jumped out to a great start in 2000, sweeping its non-conference schedule for the second straight year, averaging over 34 points in wins against Middle Tennessee, San Diego State and California and earning a No. 17 national ranking. The Illini provided excitement with five down-to-the-wire games during the Big Ten season, including a 42-35 win over Indiana and a shutout win over Iowa.

"When you look at last season, you see that we were a few plays away from being a 9-2 or 8-3 team," head coach Ron Turner said. "Although we didn't go to a bowl game, this team realizes that we are a strong team that has the talent to jump right back into the national scene."

The Illini head into the 2001 season with 47 letterwinners returning from last seasons 5-6 squad, including 13 starters. Seven starters return on the offensive side: quarterback Kurt Kittner, tailback Rocky Harvey, offensive tackle Tony Pashos, offensive guard Jay Kulaga, center Luke Butkus, split end Aaron Moorehead and

flanker Greg Lewis. Six starters will be back for 2001 on defense: defensive tackle Brandon Moore, defensive end Terrell Washington, linebacker Jerry Schumacher, strong safety Bobby Jackson, free safety Muhammad Abdullah and cornerback Eugene Wilson.

The Illini have three new defensive coaches, including coordinator Mike Cassity who joins the staff with 16 years experience as a defensive coordinator. Also joining the Illini are secondary coach Mike Mallory and defensive line coach Donnie Thompson. Osia Lewis will move from defensive ends coach to linebackers for the 2001 season. Defensively, the 2001 team mirrors the offense from the 1999 season. The Illini will depend on many young, talented players to contribute this season. Heading into 1999, there were many question marks on the offensive side of the ball. The team depended on youth and that unit went on to become the most productive offense in school history.

"We as a coaching staff are very excited about the players we have defensively for this season, but we are concerned with the lack of experience," Turner said. "We will need young players to step up and give us the depth and play-making ability that we saw from the offense two years ago."

Here is a position-by-position breakdown of the Illini heading into 2001:

QUARTERBACK

For the last three seasons, Kurt Kittner has held the position of the team's signal caller and returns for his senior season, looking to rewrite the Illinois record books. Kittner already holds the single season record for most touchdown passes with 24 and led the Illini's record setting offense in 1999. He has been tabbed one of the top quarterbacks in the nation and earned honorable mention All-America honors from Football News. The three-year starter has passed for over 5,000 yards and 43 touchdowns and improved his passing accuracy to nearly 60 percent in 2000.

Competition for the back-up role heats up this spring between sophomores Dustin Ward and Christian Morton. Morton will spend his first spring with the Illinois football team, looking to compete with Ward. Ward played in seven games last fall, making his first collegiate start against Northwestern. He passed for 390 yards and threw four touchdown passes for the season. Morton became a vital part of the special teams units toward the end of the season, leading the team in punt return and kickoff return yardage. He averaged 24 yards per kickoff return and 20 yards



Pictured above (left to right): Illinois starting quarterback Kurt Kittner, fifth-year head coach Ron Turner and Illinois' leading rusher in 2000 Antoine Harris.



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Pictured above (left to right): Tight end Brian Hodges, Doak Walker Award Candidate Rocky Harvey and Illinois 330-pound offensive tackle Tony Pashos.

per punt return. Also adding depth to the quarterback position is redshirt-freshman Mark Kornfeld, who set a school record with 5,839 yards passing in his career.

Turner on Quarterbacks: "I think Kurt Kittner is one of the best if not the best quarterback in the country and we are excited about having him back for his fourth year as a starter. We are looking forward to having him provide great leadership for us as well as his great football ability. We are going to have some intense competition this spring for the back up position primarily between Dustin Ward and Christian Morton."

RUNNING BACKS

Tailback: Both members of the "Thunder and Lightning" tandem of Rocky Harvey and Antoinio Harris return to handle the offensive backfield duties for the Illini. The duo combined for 1,455 yards and 10 touchdowns. Each tailback rushed for over 100 yards three times during the 2000 season, including 100-yard performances for both running backs in back-to-back games for the first time in school history. The halfbacks helped lead the Illini to its second consecutive year with over 1,700 yards rushing, a feat not matched since the 1989-1990 seasons.

Harris led the team in rushing with 772 yards and scored seven touchdowns to also lead the team in scoring. With Harvey's 683 yards rushing, he moved to eighth on Illinois' all-time rushing list, while also earning honorable mention All-Big Ten honors.

Fullback: With the departure of Jameel Cook to the NFL draft, the Illini will look to sophomore Carey Davis as a replacement at fullback this spring. Davis played in 10 games as a redshirt-freshman tallying 40 yards receiving, 21 rushing and one touchdown reception. He got his first collegiate start for an injured Cook against Indiana. Pushing Davis for playing time will be junior Carlos Lattimore. Lattimore moved to fullback from safety last season and scored his sole touchdown of the season against San Diego State. He averaged 4.8 yards per carry, while playing in 10 games. Also adding depth will be sophomores Brad Haywood and Clayton Mullen. Haywood rushed for 1,361 yards and 16 touchdowns as a prep senior and gained valuable experience last season on special teams. Mullen is a two-year member of the Illini squad after walking onto the team in 1999.

Turner on Running Backs: "The running backs position is going to be one of the strongest on the team. We have two outstanding halfbacks in Antoinio Harris and Rocky Harvey, who compliment each others' styles. They are as good a running back tandem as any I've seen in the country. At fullback, we will have to replace Jameel Cook, however we feel we won't miss a beat with Carey Davis and Carlos Lattimore. They got quality playing time last year. We will also have good depth with Brad Haywood and Clayton Mullen."

WIDE RECEIVERS

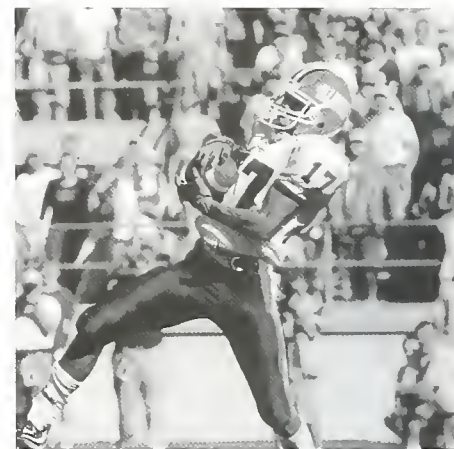
Once again, the wide receiving corp is very young, without a senior in the bunch. This group helped lead the team to its second

straight 2,000 yard passing season. In 2000, former walk-on Greg Lewis led the Illini with 544 receiving yards and six touchdowns. Not far behind, was another former walk-on Aaron Moorehead who hauled in four touchdowns and 520 yards. Both will return to try and secure a starting position in this very talented, deep receiving corp.

Flanker: Lewis posted his first 100-yard game against Michigan and had five catches over 30 yards, while averaging 13.6 yards per reception at flanker. Pushing Lewis will be sophomore Brandon Lloyd, the Illini's starter for the 1999 season. Lloyd broke freshman records in receiving following his 511-yard, two touchdown debut campaign. He broke his femur prior to the 2000 season and will make his return for 2001 spring practices. Also lining up at flanker this year will be redshirt-freshman Ade Adeyemo. Adeyemo was a prep All-American, averaging 17 yards a catch at St. Rita High School.

Split End: While Moorehead had the most starts at split end in 2000, the competition for a starting spot is fierce with five players on the Illini depth chart. Moorehead will challenge sophomore Eric McGoey, who finished the season with 187 yards in his first year as an Illini, scoring touchdowns against Michigan and Minnesota. Junior Walter Young adopted the receiving gloves for good last season as the converted quarterback recorded 403 yards, an average of 14.9 yards per catch. Emerging as a deep threat in 2000 was redshirt freshman Dwayne Smith.

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Pictured above (left to right): Starting offensive guard Jay Kulaga, defensive tackle Brandon Moore and the team's leading receiver Greg Lewis

Smith hauled in eight catches and two touchdowns in the season finale against Northwestern. Also looking for playing time is sophomore Jamaal Clark, who was one of the highest-rated high school players out of the St. Louis area and one of the top prep receivers in the country.

Turner on the Wide Receivers: "We have a very solid group of receivers with a lot of depth returning this season. There are a lot of players who made big plays for us last year and we are looking forward to the return of Brandon Lloyd. He is ahead of schedule and will give us that big-play threat that we were lacking at times last year. We are still a very young group, without a senior in the bunch, but we expect them to play with more maturity. We think we will have very good competition at receiver this spring. Walter Young, Greg Lewis and Aaron Moorehead have been making plays for two years, but we were very excited about what we saw from Eric McGoey, Dwayne Smith and Jamaal Clark, especially towards the end of the season."

OFFENSIVE LINE

For the past two seasons, the Illinois offensive line has been among the conference's best. The 2001 offensive line returns three starters from last year, three players who have started 23 consecutive games.

Returning in 2001 are senior center Luke Butkus, senior left guard Jay Kulaga and junior right tackle Tony Pashos. The offensive line allowed only 20 sacks in 361 pass plays last season, an average of one sack every 18.1 pass attempts. Pashos led the bunch with 60 knockdowns, followed by Kulaga with 67 and Butkus with 65.

The Illini will have to make up for the loss of All-Big Ten performers Ray Redziniak and Marques Sullivan, but have the depth and talent from which to choose. Looking to make the move to left tackle will be junior David Diehl. Diehl played the last two seasons at guard and got experience last season at right guard for the injured Redziniak. He will be pushed by sophomore tackle Sean Bubin. Bubin gained valuable experience in all 11 games on special team last year. Sophomore Aaron Hodges is the leading candidate at right guard. Hodges played in four games, but lined up for 62 offensive snaps. Competing with Hodges will be redshirt-freshman Bucky Babcock, who was a prep All-American.

Turner on the Offensive Line: "We are excited about our offensive line. We have two starters to replace in Marques Sullivan and Ray Redziniak, but we are happy about the young guys we have to step in. We will have some really good competition this year on the offensive line. We concentrated on building the depth at that position over the last four years and we feel we have both depth and quality at that position. The three starters we have returning have started 23 consecutive games together."

TIGHT END

The Illini have three players returning at the tight end spot. Although, Josh Whitman had been Illinois' starting tight end the last three seasons, senior Brian Hodges alternated series with Whitman to split time at the spot. Hodges scored two touchdowns last season, while averaging

8.6 yards per catch. Vying for playing time will be sophomore Kenny Boyle, who gained valuable experience last season, and redshirt-freshman Anthony McClellan. McClellan averaged 22.0 yards a catch as a prep all-state standout.

Turner on the Tight Ends: "We will have to replace Josh Whitman, but Brian Hodges will step in and do a great job there. He basically was a co-starter with Whitman, alternating series for the last two years. We also have some very talented young players, Kenny Boyle and Anthony McClellan, that will give us that down-the-field threat."

DEFENSIVE LINE

The Illini will have to replace two seniors on the defensive line, including the 2000 Illinois defensive player of the year and first-team All-Big Ten performer Fred Wakefield and defensive tackle Jason Eberhart. Returning for the Illini are starting defensive end Terrell Washington and defensive tackle Brandon Moore. Washington was one the conference's leaders in tackles for loss and sacks. He registered 16 tackles for loss and eight sacks, while starting all 11 games. Moore has been a staple on the defensive line since his true-freshman season and has started 24 consecutive games. He recorded 55 tackles in 2000, seven for loss.

Looking to fill the vacated line positions are Illinois' 2000 Rookie of the Year Charles Gilstrap at tackle and senior defensive end Robby Long. Gilstrap recorded nine tackles in a reserve role on the line as a true-freshman last year. Long, a



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Champaign, Ill.-native, has played a key role as a back up the last three seasons.

The key to the improvement of the defensive line will be in its depth. Returning for spring ball following injuries are end Mike O'Brien and tackle Jeff Ruffin. Both line-men played in the first two games of the season before being sidelined. Junior tackle Brett Kautter played a significant role on the line last season as he tallied three tackles for loss, a sack and a forced fumble in his 11 games. Sophomores Jemari Perry and Derrick Strong were both thrown in during their true-freshman seasons at defensive end and recorded nine and five tackles respectively. Also adding depth to the line will be junior college transfer Jamie Hanton at defensive tackle, who was a juco all-conference performer at Chaffey College in Corona, Calif.

Turner on the defensive line: "The defensive line can be a much-improved area for us this year. We have recruited that position very successfully over the last few years working to improve depth. We have two starters back, Brandon Moore and Terrell Washington, who have good experience as well as many players who have contributed last year like Brett Kautter, Charles Gilstrap and Robby Long. With the return of Jeff Ruffin and Mike O'Brien, two potential starters last season, we feel we will be able to rotate more people in at those positions. There are also many young players we feel will make a huge impact on the line this year."

LINEBACKER

Of the six players listed on the 2000 depth

chart at linebacker only one remains for the 2001 season. The linebacking position holds many questions for the Illini, but have many athletes who will be competing for those two top spots in spring practice.

Junior Jerry Schumacher is the only returning starter and was a vital part of the 2000 defense. He was the second-leading tackler on the team with 104 tackles as a true-sophomore. The team's Butkus Award candidate will lead the group of young linebackers vying for a spots in the starting lineup. Expected to back up Schumacher is redshirt-freshman Mike Gawelek, who led his high school team with 189 total tackles his senior season and 451 for his career. Pushing Schumacher and Gawelek will be sophomore Brad Haywood, who will work out at both fullback and linebacker this spring, and freshman Jim Goranson, who graduated early from high school to enroll at Illinois in January.

Junior college transfer and second-team JUCO All-American Mario Ivy will look to fill one of those roles. The Ellsworth College graduate will move to linebacker after playing most of his career on the defensive line. Competing with Ivy will be redshirt-freshman Lamont Holden. Holden, an all-conference performer at Stevenson High School, posted 76 tackles his senior season as a defensive lineman. Also looking for playing time is redshirt-freshman Estus Hood.

Leading up the charge at the third linebacker position is sophomore Ty Myers. Myers played primarily on special teams last season working on the kickoff, kickoff

return and punt block units. Pushing Myers for a starting spot will be redshirt-freshman Lee Sicinski. Sicinski is a graduate of Joliet Catholic who made a name for himself with his 18-tackle, one interception performance leading his team to a state championship in 1999. The all-conference performer also posted 112 tackles at linebacker his senior season. The two will be pushed by sophomore Joe Bevis, who played extensively on special teams as a true-freshman contributing on the kickoff, kickoff return and punt block teams, and redshirt-freshman Mike Parro.

Turner on the linebackers: "We are really excited about the ability of this group, but we are concerned about the lack of experience. We will have to replace five of six linebackers off last year's depth chart. We will be extremely young at linebacker although I think we have some guys who will step up and get better and better as time goes on. Obviously, the experience factor will make for great competition in the spring."

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Safeties: Three-year starters Bobby Jackson and Muhammad Abdullah both return for the Illini in 2001. The duo has recorded 10 interceptions in their careers, including five by Abdullah in 1999 and two for Jackson in 2000. Jackson's pick and return for a score was the Illini's sole touchdown against Michigan State. Abdullah ranked third on the team in total tackles, while Jackson posted the team's fourth-most. Backing up at the two safety positions will be redshirt freshman Kevin Anderson and senior Nick Piazza.



Pictured above (left to right): Defensive end Terrell Washington, Thorpe Award Candidate Bobby Jackson and Butkus Award Candidate Jerry Schumacher

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Anderson was an all-conference performer at East St. Louis High School, while Piazza has played a key role on special teams over the past three years. Also vying for time will be redshirt freshman Chris Jack.

Turner on the safeties: "We have a great group of safeties, two players in Bobby Jackson and Muhammad Abdullah who have a lot of experience and talent. They also provide a lot of the leadership on this team. They give us the attitude that you need to win at this level."

Cornerbacks: The cornerback position last season was one of much quality and very little depth. At one spot junior Eugene Wilson was a solid 11-game starter,

interception and a 55-yard return in the season opener against Middle Tennessee.

Turner on cornerbacks: Cornerback is a great concern for us right now. We need to find out who our other corner will be opposite Eugene Wilson. We think Eugene will be one of the top corners in the country. But we need to find someone who can play very efficiently at the other cornerback position which will allow us to do the things we want to do defensively. There will be good competition between Marc Jackson, Anthony Hurd, Nana Agyeman and Matt Henderson.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Kickers: The Illini return both kickers from

the performances of both punters."

Return Specialists: Illinois will have three return specialists back from the 2000 squad, including Wilson who has handled punt returns for the last two seasons and Harvey who has been returning kicks for three years. The Illini also discovered the speed of Christian Morton as both a punt and kickoff returner last season. Morton averaged 20.0 yards per punt and 24.4 per kick return as well as scoring on an 80-yard punt return against Indiana. Wilson

Turner on the return specialists: "We feel really good with the players we have returning this spring. We have some very explosive athletes, Christian Morton,



Pictured above (left to right): Illinois' starting punter Steve Fitts, junior cornerback Eugene Wilson and return specialist Christian Morton.

however when Trayvon Waller broke his leg against Minnesota, the second cornerback spot became a revolving door of starters. Wilson will head into spring as the starter following a stellar season where he posted 16 pass deflections and four interceptions, including three interceptions in the last three games. He ranked eighth in the Big Ten for his picks and earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors. Junior Marc Jackson made the move from safety to start the last two games of the season at cornerback. Jackson totaled 52 tackles, one for loss and three passes broken up for the season.

The Illini will look for senior Anthony Hurd, sophomore Nana Agyeman and redshirt-freshman Matt Henderson to serve as back ups. Hurd started two games at corner in 2000 before suffering a torn hamstring. Agyeman saw time at corner as a true-freshman last year, recording his first collegiate

a year ago in punter Steve Fitts and place-kicker JJ Tubbs. Fitts began the season handling both duties and was a perfect 25-of-25 in extra point attempts and averaged 40.9 yards per punt. He attempted 10 field goals making five, including a career-long 47 yarder against Minnesota. Tubbs took over placekicking duties against Penn State and converted a 22-yard field goal against Michigan State, the only one of the season. He also made 13-of-13 PATs.

Turner on the kickers: "JJ Tubbs goes into spring as our kicker and will be competing with Peter Christofilakos and Patrick King and we hope that produces good competition. Steve Fitts looks to be our punter for the fourth straight year and I am really excited and think that he will be one of the top punters in the country now that he is concentrating only on his punting. Matt Minnes has been pushing Fitts over the last year and it has only improve

Eugene Wilson, Rocky Harvey and Brandon Lloyd, who can make big plays on special teams."

Specialists: The Illini will look for a new long snapper this spring after three years of Nathan Hodel handling the duties. Looking to push for the spot will be senior Pat Rouse and junior Mike Malczyk. Rouse played in two games in 1999 taking over for the injured Hodel, while Malczyk got some playing time this season on the kickoff return unit.

Turner on the specialists: This year we will be looking to replace Nathan Hodel at long snapper after three years at that position. We have had stability and consistency at that position for a long time and will look to Patrick Rouse and Mike Malczyk to fill that role. Fitts will be our holder with Kittner backing him up.



DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

LT	64	DAVID DIEHL (6-5, 294, JR.)
	73	Sean Bubin (6-7, 302, So.)
LG	67	JAY KULAGA (6-5, 306, SR.)
	61	Brian Koch (6-3, 265, r-Fr.)
	63	Dave Hilderbrand (6-3, 285, r-Fr.)
C	71	LUKE BUTKUS (6-4, 287, SR.)
	68	James Brown (6-4, 280, Jr.)
	75	Duke Preston (6-5, 290, r-Fr.)
RG	60	AARON HODGES (6-5, 276, SO.)
	70	Patrick Babcock (6-6, 290, r-Fr.)
	53	Jim Ferguson (6-4, 289, So.)
RT	79	TONY PASHOS (6-6, 330, JR.)
	72	Dan Cutter (6-7, 322, Sr.)
	78	Chris Rucks (6-6, 282, So.)
QB	15	KURT KITTNER (6-3, 210, SR.)
	11	Dustin Ward (6-3, 193, So.)
	5	Christian Morton (6-1, 180, So.)
	19	Mark Kornfeld (6-1, 209, r-Fr.)
RB	23	ROCKY HARVEY (5-9, 186, SR.)
	31	Antoineo Harris (6-1, 222, Jr.)
FB	24	CAREY DAVIS (6-0, 218, SO.)
	39	Carlos Lattimore (6-1, 215, Jr.)
	49	Brad Haywood (6-1, 231, So.)
FL	17	GREG LEWIS (6-0, 184, JR.) OR
	6	BRANDON LLOYD (6-2, 184, SO.)
	4	Ade Adeyemo (6-0, 191, r-Fr.)
SE	3	ERIC MCGOEY (6-3, 191, SO.)
	18	Walter Young (6-5, 218, Jr.)
	88	Dwayne Smith (6-2, 190, So.)
	86	Aaron Moorehead (6-3, 185, Jr.)
	9	Jamaal Clark (6-2, 190, So.)
TE	80	BRIAN HODGES (6-4, 262, SR.)
	89	Kenny Boyle (6-5, 249, So.)
	81	Anthony McClellan (6-3, 223, r-Fr.)

SPECIALISTS

K	12	JJ TUBBS (5-9, 160, JR.)
	10	Steve Fitts (6-0, 201, Sr.)
P	10	STEVE FITTS (6-0, 201, SR.)
	38	Matt Minnes (6-2, 190, r-Fr.)
H	10	STEVE FITTS (6-0, 201, SR.)
	15	Kurt Kittner (6-3, 210, Sr.)

DEFENSE

DE	85	TERRELL WASHINGTON (6-4, 237, SR.)
	98	Derrick Strong (6-5, 230, So.)
DT	91	CHARLES GILSTRAP (6-3, 285, SO.)
	92	Jamie Hanton (6-4, 290, Jr.) or
	65	Joe Gal (6-3, 272, Sr.)
	76	Clark Collins (6-3, 285, So.)
DT	96	BRANDON MOORE (6-3, 275, SR.)
	55	Brett Kautter (6-3, 257, Jr.)
	74	Mike Maloney (6-3, 265, r-Fr.)
	58	Jeff Ruffin (6-4, 281, So.)
DE	90	ROBBY LONG (6-3, 246, SR.)
	94	Jemari Perry (6-4, 220, So.)
	93	Mike O'Brien (6-6, 232, So.)
LB	95	MARIO IVY (6-3, 225, JR.) OR
	48	LAMONT HOLDEN (6-3, 220, R-FR.)
	37	Estus Hood (6-2, 210, r-Fr.)
LB	42	JERRY SCHUMACHER (6-3, 230, JR.)
	45	Mike Gawelek (6-2, 220, r-Fr.)
	49	Brad Haywood (6-1, 231, So.)
	47	Jim Goranson (6-4, 220, Fr.)
LB	27	TY MYERS (6-4, 222, SO.)
	41	Lee Sicinski (6-1, 215, r-Fr.)
	33	Joe Bevis (6-0, 210, So.)
	92	Mike Parro (6-1, 218, r-Fr.)
CB	28	EUGENE WILSON (6-0, 183, JR.)
	13	Nana Agyeman (6-2, 190, So.)
	16	Kevin Anderson (6-2, 185, r-Fr.)
FS	7	MUHAMMAD ABDULLAH (6-1, 202, SR.)
	82	Nick Piazza (6-1, 190, Sr.)
	16	Kevin Anderson (6-2, 185, r-Fr.)
SS	2	BOBBY JACKSON (6-1, 211, SR.)
	16	Kevin Anderson (6-2, 185, r-Fr.)
	38	Chris Jack (5-8, 192, r-Fr.)
CB	1	MARC JACKSON (6-1, 201, JR.)
	43	Anthony Hurd (5-10, 189, Sr.)
	22	Matt Henderson (6-2, 170, r-Fr.)
PR	5	CHRISTIAN MORTON (6-1, 180, SO.)
	28	Eugene Wilson (6-0, 183, Jr.)
KR	5	CHRISTIAN MORTON (6-1, 180, SO.)
	23	Rocky Harvey (5-9, 186, Sr.)
LS	62	PAT ROUSE (6-0, 227, SR.)
	56	Mike Malczyk (5-11, 242, Sr.)

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Returning starters in bold

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ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL	PRONUNCIATION
7**	Muhammad Abdullah	S	6-1	202	Sr.	2-1	Barneget, N.J./Southern Reg.	
4	Ade Adeyemo	WR	6-0	191	r-Fr.	4-4	Chicago, Ill./St. Rita	AH-dee AH-dee-yah-mo
13	Nana Agyeman	DB/WR	6-2	190	So.	4-3	Itasca, Ill./Lake Park	NAH-nuh AJ-uh-min
83	Chris Allan	WR	6-1	180	Sr.	1-1	Greenville, Ill./Greenville	
16	Kevin Anderson	S	6-2	185	r-Fr.	4-4	Belleville, Ill./E. St. Louis	
70	Patrick Babcock	OL	6-6	290	r-Fr.	4-4	Stillman Valley, Ill./Stillman Valley	
33	Joe Bevis	LB	6-0	210	So.	4-3	Edwardsville, Ill./Edwardsville	
89	Kenny Boyle	TE	6-5	249	So.	3-3	Chatham, Ill./Glenwood	
68	James Brown	OL	6-4	280	Jr.	2-2	Pleasant Lake, Ind./Angola	
73	Sean Bubin	OL	6-7	302	So.	3-3	Rantoul, Ill./Rantoul	BOO-bin
71**	Luke Butkus	OL	6-4	287	Sr.	1-1	Steger, Ill./Bloom Township	
44	Peter Christofilakos	K	5-9	166	Jr.	3-2	Springfield, Ill./Sacred Heart Griffin	
9	Jamaal Clark	WR	6-2	190	So.	4-3	St. Louis, Mo./Riverview Gardens	
76	Clark Collins	DT	6-3	285	So.	4-3	Evanston, Ill./Evanston Twshp	
72*	Dan Cutter	OL	6-7	322	Sr.	1-1	Tampa, Fla./Catholic	
24	Carey Davis	FB	6-0	218	So.	3-3	Florissant, Mo./Hazelwood Cent.	
64*	David Diehl	OL	6-5	294	Jr.	2-2	Oak Lawn, Ill./Brother Rice	DEAL
54	Ed Donoghue	DT	6-3	251	Jr.	3-2	Chicago, Ill./Mt. Carmel	
37	Michael Drobny	TE	6-0	215	Jr.	3-2	Highland Park, Ill./Highland Park	
53	Jim Ferguson	OL	6-4	289	So.	3-3	Morton, Ill./Morton	
10**	Steve Fitts	P	6-0	201	Sr.	2-1	South Congaree, S.C./Airport	
65	Joe Gal	DT	6-3	272	Sr.	1-1	Lemont, Ill./Lemont	
45	Mike Gawelek	LB	6-2	220	r-Fr.	4-4	Chillicothe, Ohio/Chillicothe	guh-WALL-ick
91	Charles Gilstrap	DT	6-3	285	So.	4-3	Columbus, Ohio/St. Francis de Sales	
47	Jim Goranson	LB	6-4	220	Fr.	5-4	Elk Grove, Ill./Elk Grove	
92	Jamie Hanton	DT	6-4	290	Jr.	2-2	Corona, Calif./Chaffey College	
31*	Antoineo Harris	HB	6-1	222	Jr.	2-2	Bolingbrook, Ill./Bolingbrook	an-TONE-ee-oh
23**	Rocky Harvey	HB	5-9	186	Sr.	2-1	Chicago, Ill./Dunbar	
49	Brad Haywood	FB	6-1	231	So.	4-3	Mt. Carmel, Ill./Mt. Carmel	
22	Matt Henderson	CB	6-2	170	r-Fr.	4-4	Edmond, Okla./Sante Fe	
63	Dave Hilderbrand	OL	6-3	285	r-Fr.	4-4	Naperville, Ill./Naperville Cent.	hill-DUH-brand
60	Aaron Hodges	OL	6-5	276	So.	3-3	Country Club Hills, Ill./Rich Central	
80**	Brian Hodges	TE	6-4	262	Sr.	1-1	Country Club Hills, Ill./Rich Central	
48	Lamont Holden	DE	6-3	220	r-Fr.	4-4	Buffalo Grove, Ill./Stevenson	
37#	Estus Hood	LB	6-4	210	r-Fr.	4-4	Carbondale, Ill./Carbondale Community	
43*	Anthony Hurd	CB	5-10	189	Sr.	1-1	New Orleans, La./St. Augustine	
95	Mario Ivy	DE	6-3	225	Jr.	2-2	Edwardsville, Ill./Ellsworth JC	
38	Chris Jack	DB	5-8	192	r-Fr.	4-4	Gordon Tech, Ill./Gordon Tech	
2**	Bobby Jackson	S	6-1	211	Sr.	1-1	Corvallis, Ore./Crescent Valley	
1*	Marc Jackson	S	6-1	201	Jr.	3-2	Corvallis, Ore./Crescent Valley	
55*	Brett Kautter	DT	6-3	257	Jr.	2-2	Harrisburg, Pa./Cent. Dauphin Cotter	COTT-er
21	Patrick King	K	5-11	178	r-Fr.	4-4	Fredericksburg, Va./DeMatha	
15**	Kurt Kittner	QB	6-3	210	Sr.	2-1	Schaumburg, Ill./Schaumburg	
61	Bryan Koch	OL	6-3	265	r-Fr.	4-4	Wentzville, Mo./Francis Howell	COKE
19	Mark Kornfeld	QB	6-1	209	r-Fr.	4-4	St. Louis, Mo./St. Louis Univ. HS	CORN-fell-d

1	Marc Jackson	S	24	Carey Davis	FB	54	Ed Donoghue	DT	78	Chris Rucks	OL
2	Bobby Jackson	S	27	Ty Myers	LB	55	Brett Kautter	DT	79	Tony Pashos	OL
3	Eric McGoey	WR	28	Eugene Wilson	CB	56	Mike Malczyk	LS	80	Brian Hodges	TE
4	Ade Adeyemo	WR	31	Antoineo Harris	HB	57	Mike Parro	LB	81	Anthony McClellan	TE
5	Christian Morton	QB	33	Joe Bevis	LB	58	Jeff Ruffin	DT	82	Nick Piazza	S
6	Brandon Lloyd	WR	36	Clayton Mullen	FB	60	Aaron Hodges	OL	83	Chris Allan	WR
7	Muhammad Abdullah	S	37	Michael Drobny	TE	61	Bryan Koch	OL	85	Terrell Washington	DE
9	Jamaal Clark	WR	37	Estus Hood	LB	62	Patrick Rouse	LS	86	Aaron Moorehead	WR
10	Steve Fitts	P	38	Chris Jack	DB	63	Dave Hilderbrand	OL	88	Dwayne Smith	WR
11	Dustin Ward	QB	38	Matt Minnes	P	64	David Diehl	OL	89	Kenny Boyle	TE
12	JJ Tubbs	K	39	Carlos Lattimore	FB	65	Joe Gal	DT	90	Robby Long	DE
13	Nana Agyeman	DB/WR	41	Lee Sicinski	LB	67	Jay Kulaga	OL	91	Charles Gilstrap	DT
15	Kurt Kittner	QB	42	Jerry Schumacher	LB	68	James Brown	OL	92	Mario Ivy	DE
16	Kevin Anderson	S	43	Anthony Hurd	CB	70	Patrick Babcock	OL	93	Mike O'Brien	DE
17	Greg Lewis	WR	44	Peter Christofilakos	K	71	Luke Butkus	OL	94	Jemari Perry	DE
18	Walter Young	QB/WR	45	Mike Gawelek	LB	72	Dan Cutter	OL	95	Jamie Hanton	DT
19	Mark Kornfeld	QB	47	Jim Goranson	LB	73	Sean Bubin	OL	96	Brandon Moore	DL
21	Patrick King	K	48	Lamont Holden	DE	74	Mike Maloney	DE	98	Derrick Strong	DE
22	Matt Henderson	CB	49	Brad Haywood	FB	75	Duke Preston III	OL			
23	Rocky Harvey	HB	53	Jim Ferguson	OL	76	Clark Collins	DT			



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NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL	PRONUNCIATION
67**	Jay Kulaga	OL	6-5	306	Sr.	1-1	Seminole, Fla./Seminole	coo-LAH-guh
39*	Carlos Lattimore	FB	6-1	215	Jr.	2-2	Peoria, Ill./Peoria	
17*	Greg Lewis	WR	6-0	184	Jr.	2-2	Matteson, Ill./Rich South	
6*	Brandon Lloyd	WR	6-2	184	So.	3-3	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs	
90*	Robby Long	DE	6-3	246	Sr.	1-1	Champaign, Ill./Centennial	
56	Mike Malczyk	LS	5-11	242	Sr.	1-1	Lake Zurich, Ill./Lake Zurich	MAL-check
74	Mike Maloney	DE	6-3	265	r-Fr.	4-4	Joliet, Ill./Joliet Catholic	
81	Anthony McClellan	TE	6-3	223	r-Fr.	4-4	O'Fallon, Ill./O'Fallon Twshp	
3	Eric McGoe	WR	6-3	191	So.	3-3	Wheaton, Ill./Wheaton-Warrenville	Muh-GO-ee
38#	Matt Minnes	P	6-2	190	r-Fr.	4-4	Urbana, Ill./Urbana	MINN-us
96**	Brandon Moore	DL	6-3	275	Sr.	2-1	Gary, Ind./West Side	
86*	Aaron Moorehead	WR	6-3	185	Jr.	2-2	Deerfield, Ill./Deerfield	
5	Christian Morton	QB	6-1	180	So.	3-3	St. Louis, Mo./Riverview Gardens	
36	Clayton Mullen	FB	6-1	223	So.	3-3	Mattoon, Ill./Mattoon	
27	Ty Myers	LB	6-4	222	So.	3-3	Springfield, Ohio/North	
93*	Mike O'Brien	DE	6-6	232	So.	3-3	Oak Lawn, Ill./Marist	
57	Mike Parro	LB	6-1	218	r-Fr.	4-4	Chicago, Ill./Marian Catholic	PEAR-oh
79*	Tony Pashos	OL	6-6	330	Jr.	2-2	Lockport, Ill./Lockport Twshp	PAH-shos
94	Jemari Perry	DE	6-4	220	So.	4-3	Maywood, Ill./Proviso East	
82	Nick Piazza	S	6-1	190	Sr.	1-1	Frankfort, Ill./Lincoln-Way	
75	Duke Preston III	OL	6-5	290	r-Fr.	4-4	San Diego, Calif./Mt. Carmel	
62*	Patrick Rouse	LS	6-0	227	Sr.	1-1	Champaign, Ill./Centennial	
78	Chris Rucks	OL	6-6	282	So.	3-3	Lincolnshire, Ill./Stevenson	
58	Jeff Ruffin	DT	6-4	281	So.	3-3	Aurora, Ill./West	
42*	Jerry Schumacher	LB	6-3	230	Jr.	3-2	Chicago, Ill./Mt. Carmel	
41	Lee Sicinski	LB	6-1	215	r-Fr.	4-4	Joliet, Ill./Joliet Catholic	suh-ZIN-skee
88	Dwayne Smith	WR	6-2	190	So.	3-3	Rantoul, Ill./Rantoul	
98	Derrick Strong	DE	6-5	230	So.	4-3	Chicago, Ill./Mt. Carmel	
12	JJ Tubbs	K	5-9	160	So.	3-3	Rock Island, Ill./Rock Island	
11	Dustin Ward	QB	6-3	193	So.	3-3	Champaign, Ill./Centennial	
85*	Terrell Washington	DE	6-4	237	Sr.	1-1	St. Louis, Mo./Hutchinson J.C.	
28*	Eugene Wilson	CB	6-0	183	Jr.	3-2	Merrillville, Ind./Merrillville	
18*	Walter Young	QB/WR	6-5	218	Jr.	2-2	Park Forest, Ill./Rich East	

* - letters earned, # - duplicate numbers

PRACTICE JERSEYS

Quarterbacks (Red Jerseys)

5 Christian Morton
11 Dustin Ward
15 Kurt Kittner
19 Mark Kornfeld

Offense (Blue Jerseys)

3 Eric McGoe
4 Ade Adeyemo
6 Brandon Lloyd
9 Jamaal Clark
10 Steve Fitts
12 JJ Tubbs
17 Greg Lewis
18 Walter Young
21 Patrick King
23 Rocky Harvey
24 Carey Davis
31 Antoino Harris
36 Clayton Mullen
37 Michael Drobney
38 Matt Minnes
39 Carlos Lattimore
44 Peter Christofilakos
49 Brad Haywood
53 Jim Ferguson
56 Mike Malczyk
60 Aaron Hodges
61 Bryan Koch
62 Pat Rouse
63 Dave Hilderbrand
64 Dave Diehl
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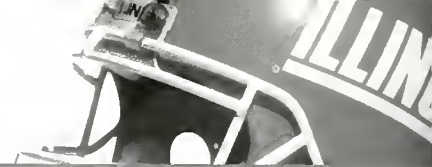
68 James Brown
70 Patrick Babcock
71 Luke Butkus
72 Dan Cutter
73 Sean Bubin
75 Duke Preston
78 Chris Rucks
79 Tony Pashos
80 Brian Hodges
81 Anthony McClellan
83 Chris Allan
86 Aaron Moorehead
88 Dwayne Smith
89 Kenny Boyle

Defense (White Jerseys)

1 Marc Jackson
2 Bobby Jackson
7 Muhammad Abdullah
13 Nana Agyeman
16 Kevin Anderson
22 Matt Henderson
27 Ty Myers
28 Eugene Wilson
33 Joe Bevis
37 Estus Hood
38 Chris Jack
41 Lee Sicinski
42 Jerry Schumacher
43 Anthonoy Hurd
45 Mike Gawelek
47 Jim Goranson
48 Lamont Holden

54 Ed Donoghue
55 Brett Kautter
57 Mike Parro
58 Jeff Ruffin
65 Joe Gal
74 Mike Maloney
76 Clark Collins
82 Nick Piazza
85 Terrell Washington
90 Robby Long
91 Charles Gilstrap
92 Jamie Hanton
93 Mike O'Brien
94 Jemari Perry
95 Mario Ivy
96 Brandon Moore
98 Derrick Strong

RON TURNER



RON TURNER Head Football Coach Pacific, '77 Fifth Season

"There may be no better place for a young quarterback to learn and grow than at Illinois under Ron Turner ...,"

-Joel Buchsbaum, Pro Football Weekly

THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

In four years at the helm of the Illinois football program, Ron Turner has the Fighting Illini ranked among the most productive offenses in nation and in position to compete for a Big Ten and national title.

Following a record setting offense in 1999, the Illini came up short in a handful of down-to-the-wire games which kept the team from its second straight winning season.

Turner's squad opened the season ranked 21st in the nation and after sweeping their non-conference schedule (for the second consecutive season) jumped as high as No. 17, the highest ranking since 1990.

Eight players were named to All-Big Ten teams, including first-team, defensive end Fred Wakefield and second-team offensive linemen Marques Sullivan and Ray Redziniak. In addition to conference honors, Wakefield, Sullivan and junior quarterback Kurt Kittner earned Football News honorable mention All-American honors and Sullivan garnered third-team Football Writers Association All-America accolades.

One year after posting some of the best numbers in nation for a quarterback, Kittner's encore performance was to throw 18 touchdown passes in 10 games and increase his completion percentage to nearly 60 percent.

After improving from 0-11 in '97 to 3-8 in 1998, the Turner-led Illini more than matched that win total in '99, producing an 8-4 overall record with a 4-4 Big Ten Conference mark and the school's first winning season and bowl appearance since 1994. The Illini's 63 points scored in the lop-sided 63-21 victory over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl were the second-most ever scored by a college team in NCAA bowl history.

The architect of the Orange and Blue's pro-style offense, Turner engineered the highest scoring offense in school history in 1999, including five contests with 40+ scores. Illinois' 388 points this season surpassed the 1902 total of 380 scored in 13 games. Bolstering the best offensive numbers in Turner's three years at the helm,

Illinois rushed for 2,082 yards and passed for 2,805 yards, resulting in a total offensive average of 407.3 yards a game.

Having more than eight times the number of touchdown passes from a year ago, Kittner, as a sophomore, broke the single-season record of 24 touchdown passes, set by Jeff George in 1989.

For the first time in his tenure,

Turner had two second-team All-Big Ten selections in Redziniak and Sullivan. All total, eight Illini garnered All-Big Ten recognition, which comprised the most UI representation in the Turner era.

With wins at Michigan and Ohio State in 1999, Turner accomplished what no other Big Ten coach has in the conference's history, wins at "The Big House" and "The Horseshoe" in the same season.

In April of 2000, placekicker Neil Rackers and linebacker Danny Clark were taken in the sixth and seventh rounds of the NFL Draft.

As on the field, the Illinois program has begun a steady turnaround in all facets of its football operation, including the creation of innovative ideas such as the "Camp Rantoul" two-week training camp at the former Chanute Air Base in nearby Rantoul. The Illini also have seen dramatic improvements in the overall well-being of the football student-athlete under Turner, ranging from an increased emphasis on strength and conditioning, nutrition, academic services, time management and gambling and drug awareness programs all designed to create a positive atmosphere for the Illinois football student-athletes.

The academic standards also have been raised by Turner. Prior to the the 1997 season, the cumulative team GPA for the Illini was a





RON TURNER

2.19 which has since improved to a 2.78 with 35 players posting a 3.0 or better during the fall semester of 2000. Turner has placed 42 players on the Academic All-Big Ten team in the past three years, while also boasting two GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-Americans, first-teamer Josh Whitman and second-team Fred Wakefield, for the second straight year.

Although only 47 years old, Turner is a seasoned coaching veteran, spending 20 seasons in the collegiate ranks and four years as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach of the National Football League's Chicago Bears.

Turner became the 21st head coach in Illinois football history on Dec. 2, 1996 and recently signed a contract extension that keeps him in Champaign until January of 2005.

THE CHICAGO BEARS

In four seasons working with the Chicago Bears, Turner coordinated the offense that improved every season, breaking the club record for passing yards with 233 yards per game in 1995 and producing a 1,000-yard receiver and rusher in the same season. The diversity of the Turner offense in Chicago found success under four different quarterbacks in Jim Harbaugh (1993), Steve Walsh (1994), Erik Kramer (1995) and Dave Krieg (1996). In 1994, the Bears led the NFC Central Division for much of the regular season and defeated division rival Minnesota, 35-18, in a first-round playoff game.

SAN JOSE STATE

The Martinez, Calif., native entered the professional ranks in 1993 after a long and successful college coaching ledger. In 1992, Turner was named head coach at San Jose State in San Jose, Calif. In just one season, Turner led a remarkable turnaround at SJSU, leading the Spartans to a 7-4 record and a second-place finish in the Big West Conference. Turner guided San Jose State to its best record in six years and directed a potent offense that churned out 400 yards per game while averaging 30 points per contest, good for 15th in the nation.

THE ASSISTANT COACH

A proven offensive teacher and tenacious recruiter, Turner spent the previous 16 years as an assistant at the major college level. He earned the San Jose State post after coordinating the Stanford offense for three seasons under Dennis Green. Turner began his coaching career as a graduate assistant coach at the University of Pacific before becoming the receivers coach at the University of Arizona, a post he held for two seasons (1978-79).

After coaching the Arizona running backs in 1980, Turner joined Green at Northwestern University in 1981 where he spent two seasons as quarterbacks/receivers coach. At Northwestern, Turner helped turn the Wildcat offense into one of the most exciting in the Big Ten, tutoring NU quarterback Sandy Schwab to several school and Big Ten records. As an assistant at Northwestern, Turner also recruited all-time NU punt and kickoff return leader Steve Tasker, who went on to a long career in the NFL.

In 1983, Turner became the quarterbacks coach at the University of Pittsburgh, working with Panther QB John Congemi for two sea-

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SAN JOSE STATE

Year	Record	Conf.	Finish	Bowl
1992	7-4	4-2	2nd	-

ILLINOIS

1997	0-11	0-8	11th	-
1998	3-8	2-6	7th	-
1999	8-4	4-4	6th	Micronpc.com
2000	5-6	2-6	7th	-
Total	16-29	8-24	-	-

Career	23-33	12-26	-	-
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COACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-	University of Illinois (head coach)
1993-96	Chicago Bears (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)
1992	San Jose State University (head coach)
1989-91	Stanford University (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)
1988	Texas A&M University (quarterbacks)
1985-87	University of Southern California (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks, receivers)
1983-84	University of Pittsburgh (quarterbacks/receivers)
1981-82	Northwestern University (quarterbacks/receivers)
1978-80	University of Arizona (running backs/receivers)
1977	University of the Pacific (graduate assistant)

Date of Birth: December 5, 1953

Hometown: Martinez, Calif.

Family: Wife: Wendy; Children: Morgan, Cameron, Callan, Madison

Education: B.A. Physical Education University of Pacific, 1977

Playing Experience: Diablo Valley College (1973-74); Pacific (1975-76)

sons. He joined the Ted Tollner staff at Southern California in 1985 in a similar role before he was elevated to offensive coordinator in 1986, coaching 1988 Heisman Trophy runner-up Rodney Peete.

In 1987, new head coach Larry Smith retained Turner on the USC staff as receivers coach as the Trojans romped to the Pacific-Ten Conference title. The following season, Turner moved to Texas A&M University as the quarterbacks coach before moving to Stanford University in 1989. With the Micronpc.com Bowl, Turner has been a part of eight bowl teams, including the 1988 Rose Bowl team and the 1991 Stanford Aloha Bowl squad.

THE ATHLETE

As a player, Turner was a second-team junior college All-American wide receiver at Diablo Valley Community College. He earned a scholarship to the University of Pacific and led the Tigers in receiving in 1975 and 1976, catching 40 passes for 666 yards (16.7 avg.) and three touchdowns. The following year, Turner began his coaching career at his alma mater.

THE PERSONAL FILES

Turner's older brother, Norv, joined the San Diego Charger's staff as the offensive coordinator, following six seasons as the head coach of the Washington Redskins. He also served as offensive coordinator for two Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys squads. Turner and his wife, Wendy, are extremely active in the Champaign-Urbana community and reside in Champaign with their four children, sons Morgan and Cameron and daughters Cally and Madison.

COACHING STAFF



HARRY Hiestand **Asst. Head Coach/Offensive Line** **East Stroudsburg, '83** **Fourth Season**



For the past four seasons, Harry Hiestand has served as offensive line coach in Ron Turner's system and will begin his fifth season at Illinois, second as assistant head coach.

The Illinois offensive line in 2000 welcomed back all five starters from the record-setting offense in 1999. Seniors Marques Sullivan and Ray Redziniak earned second-team All-Big Ten honors

for the second straight year and Sullivan was named to the Football Writers Association third-team All-America team. Junior center Luke Butkus also garnered conference recognition as an honorable mention All-Big Ten pick. The line allowed only 20 sacks, the 17th lowest in the nation.

Hiestand's line started the 1999 season with three new starters and finished as seasoned veterans. The line led Illinois to the highest scoring offense in school history with 388 points scored in 12 games. The UI offensive line cleared paths for Rocky Harvey, Steve Havard and other running backs to rush for 2,082 yards (5th in the Big Ten) and provided sophomore Kurt Kittner the room to throw for 2,702 yards and 24 touchdown passes. Sullivan and Redziniak earned second-team All-Big Ten honors, while Sullivan was named to Sports Illustrated's All-Bowl team for the line's contribution to the 611 total offense yards in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl. Sullivan also was named to Playboy's pre-season all-America team.

In his first year with the Illini, Hiestand's men in the trenches allowed Robert Holcombe to have a record-setting 1997 season and two Illinois offensive linemen, Tom Schau and J.P. Machado joined NFL teams in 1998.

Hiestand joined Ron Turner's staff after three year stint as offensive line coach at Missouri. With the Tigers, Hiestand helped UM to a No. 9 national ranking in rushing at 250.7 yards per game in 1996. In that same year, three of Hiestand's offensive linemen garnered All-Big 12 honors.

Hiestand, 41, came to Missouri after spending five years as offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at the University of Cincinnati. He served as run game coordinator with the Bearcats in 1992 and offensive coordinator in 1993.

Prior to Cincinnati, Hiestand was an offensive line coach at Toledo (1988), graduate assistant coach at Southern California (1987) and tight ends and assistant line coach at Penn (1986). He began his coaching career at his alma mater, East Stroudsburg University, after an injury ended his playing days. Hiestand has been a part of league championship teams at East Stroudsburg (1982-83), Penn

(1986), USC (1987) and Cincinnati (1989-93). He was on the Trojan staff at the 1988 Rose Bowl.

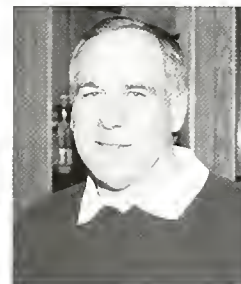
A native of Malvern, Penn., Hiestand played offensive guard for two seasons at Springfield College before spending a season at East Stroudsburg. Hiestand earned his bachelor of science degree in health and physical education from East Stroudsburg in 1983. He and his wife, Terri, have two sons, Michael and Matthew and reside in Champaign.

HIESTAND'S COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1999-present	University of Illinois (assistant head coach)
1997-99	University of Illinois (offensive line)
1994-96	University of Missouri (offensive line)
1989-93	University of Cincinnati (offensive coordinator/offensive line)
1988-89	University of Toledo (offensive line)
1987-88	Univ. of So. California (graduate assistant)
1986-87	Univ. of Pennsylvania (tight ends)
1983-85	East Stroudsburg Univ. (offensive line)
1981-82	East Stroudsburg Univ. (offensive line/student asst)



MIKE CASSITY **Defensive Coordinator/Cornerbacks** **Kentucky, '76** **First Season**



Seventeen years of experience as a defensive coordinator is what Mike Cassity brings to the table for the Illini as he begins his first year as coordinator on Coach Ron Turner's staff. Cassity will be responsible for coaching cornerbacks.

A 25-year veteran of the business, Cassity comes to Illinois from Oklahoma State where he served as coordinator for the Cowboys. In 2000, OSU held national champion Oklahoma to only 12 points, the lowest scoring total for the Sooners in two years. Last season his defense held opponents to only 126 rushing yards per game and ranked ninth in the nation in total defense in 1999.

Cassity has over 12 years experience coaching in top-rated conferences like the Big Ten, Southeastern, Big 12 and ACC. Prior to his stint at OSU, Cassity was the assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Baylor for two seasons. He coached the secondary at Wisconsin in 1995-96, leading the Badgers to a Copper Bowl title in 1996. He has been a coordinator at Cincinnati (1994), Georgia Tech (1992-93), East Carolina (1990-91), Northeast Louisiana (1989), and Western Kentucky (1983-88). His career highlights also include a No. 9 national ranking following an 11-1 season for Peach Bowl champion East Carolina in 1991. While at Western Kentucky, Cassity's defenses were ranked in the Top-10 nationally in Division I-AA.

Cassity was a three-year letterwinner at the University of Kentucky



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where he played safety under position coach John Cooper. He graduated from UK in 1976 with a degree in education and physical education. He also competed for the Wildcat wrestling team and was the SEC runner-up in his weight class.

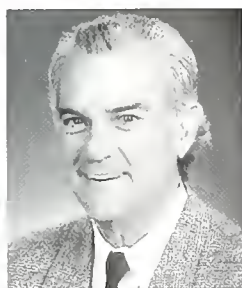
Cassity is married to the former Colleen Hartman of LaGrange, Ill., and a Lyons Township graduate. The couple has four children: Brooke, 15; Hunter, 11; Skyler, 6; and Braden, 1.

CASSITY'S COACHING HISTORY

1999-2000	Oklahoma State University (defensive coordinator/secondary)
1997-98	Baylor University (asst. head coach/defensive coordinator/secondary)
1995-96	University of Wisconsin (secondary)
1994	University of Cincinnati (defensive coordinator/secondary)
1992-93	Georgia Tech (defensive coordinator/secondary)
1990-91	East Carolina University (defensive coordinator/secondary)
1989	Northeast Louisiana (asst. head coach/defensive coordinator/secondary)
1983-88	Western Kentucky (asst. head coach/defensive coordinator/secondary)
1982	Morehead State (special teams coordinator/secondary)
1979-81	University of Kentucky (secondary)



JIM HELMS Running Backs Texas, '67 Fifth Season



Entering his fifth season at Illinois, Jim Helms continues to further the success of the University of Illinois backfield.

Once again, the Illini running backs are more productive than ever netting over 1,700 yards for the second straight season, a feat that hasn't been accomplished since the 1989-90 seasons. Junior tailback Rocky Harvey and sophomore Antoinio Harris 1,455 yards and 10 touchdowns,

earning Harvey honorable mention all-Big Ten honors.

With the highest scoring offense in 1999, Helms tutored a running back corp, which posted the best rushing numbers since 1978. On 483 attempts, Illinois ran for 2,082 yards, averaging 4.3 yards per carry. For the season, the Illini averaged 173.5 yards a game. Helms coached the duo of Rocky Harvey and Steve Havard to 1,564 yards rushing and 17 touchdowns.

In 1997, Helms worked directly with record-setting Illini running back Robert Holcombe, who posted his third consecutive 1,000 yard-rushing season and became a second-round draft pick by the NFL's St. Louis Rams.

Before coming to Illinois, Helms served as assistant head coach and

running backs coach at Mississippi State for six seasons. Helms, 54, served as the running backs coach at Mississippi State University since 1991 after spending nine years in a similar capacity at Texas A&M. He also coached running backs at Southern Methodist (1981) and Oklahoma State (1979-80). Helms was head coach at Cameron University in Lawton, Okla., from 1976-78 after spending four years as tight ends and offensive line coach at Oklahoma (1973-76) and five years at Texas (1968-73).

A proven winner, Helms has been a part of four national championship squads (Texas in 1969 and 1970 and Oklahoma in 1974 and 1975), 12 conference champions and 14 bowl games. A three-year standout letterman at Texas, he earned his B.S. from Texas in 1967.

Helms and his wife Dabney, live in Champaign and have four children, sons Clay, Jason, Justin, and a daughter, Genna.

HELM'S COACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-present	University of Illinois (running backs)
1991-96	Mississippi St. University (assistant head coach/running backs)
1982-90	Texas A&M University (running backs)
1981-82	Southern Methodist Univ. (running backs)
1979-80:	Oklahoma State University (running backs)
1976-78:	Cameron University (head coach)
1973-75:	University of Oklahoma (tight ends/offensive line)
1968-72:	University of Texas (running backs/defensive backs)



ROBERT JACKSON Receivers/Recruiting Coordinator Northern Illinois, '74 Third Season



Robert Jackson enters his third year as receivers coach for the Illini and first as recruiting coordinator.

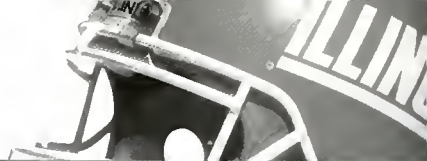
For the second consecutive year, the Illini receivers hauled in over 2,000 yards receiving, over 217 yards per game which ranked fourth in the Big Ten. Jackson transformed former walk-ons Greg Lewis and Aaron Moorehead into the team's leading receivers in 2000, combining for

1,064 yards and 10 touchdowns.

In 1999, under Jackson's tutelage, senior Michael Dean closed out his Illini career with 608 yards and four touchdown receptions, while freshman Brandon Lloyd produced a record-breaking debut campaign with 511 yards and two TD catches, setting a new freshman receiving yards record in the process. The Fighting Illini receivers smashed 1998's totals, posting 2,805 yards and 26 touchdown receptions. Illinois averaged 233.8 receiving yards a contest.

Jackson, 47, spent the previous two seasons as Director of Football Operations at Oregon State. Joining the OSU staff in 1990, Jackson started as receivers coach from 1990-96 before becoming assistant

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head coach and receivers coach in 1996-97. In his nine years with the Beavers, Jackson served as academic coordinator for the football program and helped deliver a program that led the nation in graduation rates in 1994 (94.6 percent) with 25 Academic All-Pac 10 selections. During his last two seasons at Oregon State, Jackson monitored the \$4.6 million football budget, coordinated all support areas related to OSU football, assisted in the certification process for incoming student-athletes, managed building administration and scheduled all football trips and weekends.

The Harvey, Ill., native has been reknown for his longtime Illinois prep and college career. A highly successful prep coach at Thornwood High School from 1974-85, Jackson served as head football coach and baseball coach before moving to Northern Illinois as receivers coach from 1985-90. While at his alma mater, Jackson helped the Huskies rank among the nation's leading offensive teams, post a 9-2 record in 1989 and recruited and coached former NCAA record-holder QB Stacey Robinson.

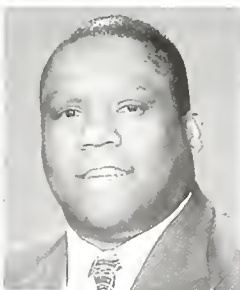
Jackson played several sports at Thronton Township High School and served as senior class president. He was a four-year letterwinner at Northern Illinois in baseball, ranking among the nation's leading hitters as a junior and earning all-conference and All-NCAA tournament honors. He received his bachelor's degree from NIU in 1974. Jackson and his wife, JoAnn, reside Urbana.

JACKSON'S COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1999-present	University of Illinois (receivers)
1997-98	Oregon State University (Director of Football Operations)
1990-96	Oregon State University (assistant head coach/receivers)
1985-89	Northern Illinois University (receivers)
1974-85	Thornwood H.S. (head coach)



OSIA LEWIS
Linebackers
Oregon State, '86
Fifth Season



Osia Lewis is entering his fifth year on the Illinois coaching staff, but will serve the Illini as linebackers coach for the 2001 season.

In 2000, senior Fred Wakefield became the first first-team All-Big Ten selection since Simeon Rice and Kevin Hardy in 1995. Wakefield totaled nine sacks and 21 tackles for loss and his career marks rank in the top-three in the Illinois record books.

Lewis tutored defensive ends Wakefield and senior Rameel Connor during the 1999 campaign. Combined, the duo produced 12 sacks for 87 yards and 120 tackles, including 26 for a loss. In 1998, senior Jeff Weisse broke NFL star Simeon Rice's single game school record with six tackles-for-loss against Middle Tennessee State.

Lewis, 36, joined the Illini staff after spending six seasons coaching

linebackers and special teams at Oregon State. He was a graduate assistant in the OSU athletic department from 1987-88 before moving to Western Oregon State as an assistant football coach in 1989-90. Lewis joined the Oregon State staff under Jerry Pettibone in January, 1991, coaching outside linebackers and special teams.

As a player, Lewis was an All-American linebacker and four-year letterman at OSU from 1982-85. A long jumper and standout quarterback and punter at Tucson (Ariz.) High School, Lewis played quarterback, safety, linebacker and wide receiver for the Beavers. He was named Most Inspirational Player at OSU in 1985, served as team captain and earned All-Pacific 10 and Associated Press honorable mention All-American honors in 1985. Lewis holds Oregon State records for single-season defensive points, season fumble recoveries (4), career fumble recoveries (8) and tackles for a loss in a game (4).

Lewis enjoyed stints with the Toronto Argonauts in the Canadian Football League and Chicago Bruisers and New York Firebirds in the Arena Football League. He earned All-Arena League honors in 1988 and played in the 1988 Arena Bowl.

Born in Anchorage, Alaska, Lewis earned his B.S. in social science education from Oregon State in 1986 and his master's degree in education from OSU in 1989. Lewis and his wife, Darlene, have two children, a son, Marvin, and a daughter, Kiana, and reside in Savoy.

LEWIS' COACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-present	University of Illinois (defensive ends)
1991-96	Oregon State University (linebackers/special teams)
1989-90	Western Oregon State (linebackers/secondary)
1987-88	Oregon State University (graduate assistant)



MIKE MALLORY
Secondary/Safeties
Michigan, '85
First Season



A former All-American linebacker and a member of one of the most respected coaching families of college football, Mike Mallory begins his first season as secondary coach at the University of Illinois. Mallory will work primarily with safeties.

Mallory, son of former Indiana, Colorado, Northern Illinois and Miami (OH) head coach Bill Mallory, comes to Illinois following one season as linebackers coach with the Maryland Terrapins. Prior to his stint at Maryland, Mallory was the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Northern Illinois. In 1999, he guided the Huskies to a 5-6 record, their best since 1992, while posting the Mid-American Conference's third-best pass efficiency defense.

In addition to defensive coordinating experience at NIU, Mallory



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also held the same position at the University of Rhode Island from 1993-95. With 15 years of experience in college coaching, Mallory began his career as a graduate assistant at Indiana in 1986-87 assisting in the Hoosiers back-to-back bowl appearances. He then went on to Kent State where he was the linebackers and defensive line coach for three seasons. In 1991, Mallory became the linebackers coach at Eastern Illinois.

Mallory was a four-year letterwinner at linebacker at the University of Michigan from 1982-85, where he played in four bowl games including the 1983 Rose Bowl and 1986 Fiesta Bowl. He graduated from Michigan in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in sports administration and did graduate work in sports management at Indiana University in 1986-87.

Mallory and his wife, Kim, have a daughter, Kathryn (3) and a son, William Michael (1).

MALLORY COACHING HISTORY

2000	University of Maryland (inside linebackers)
1996-99	Northern Illinois (defensive coordinator/linebackers)
1993-95	Rhode Island (defensive coordinator/linebackers)
1991-92	Eastern Illinois (linebackers)
1988-90	Kent State (linebackers/defensive line)
1986-87	Indiana University (graduate assistant)



GREG MCMAHON
Tight Ends/Special Teams
Eastern Illinois, '82
10th Season



Having the most experience with the Orange and Blue, Greg McMahon begins his 10th year on the Illinois sideline.

The 2000 season was another successful one for Illini tight ends. Josh Whitman, four-year starter, caught four touchdown passes, while Brian Hodges added two. For the second straight year, punter Steve Fitts earned conference recognition as an honorable mention selection and was a candidate for the Ray Guy Award.

In 1999, two members of McMahon's special teams unit, placekicker Neil Rackers and punter Steve Fitts, were named honorable mention All-Big Ten selections. Rackers set a school record in scoring with 110 points, including a 22-point performance in the Illini's win over Iowa where he caught a touchdown pass from Fitts, the first touchdown by a kicker in school history. On the year, Rackers was 20-of-26 in field goals, hitting career long of 50 yards twice, and Fitts averaged 42.3 yards per punt, a school career record. Rackers was also selected by the Cincinnati Bengals as the third pick of the sixth round of the 2000 NFL draft.

His tight ends combined for 31 receptions, 311 yards and six touchdowns. Whitman ranked 16th in the nation in tight end receptions.

McMahon stresses excellence off the field as well. Whitman earned first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American honors twice with a near-perfect 3.97 GPA in Illinois' nationally ranked business school and delivered the scholar-athlete speech at the College Football Foundation's Hall of Fame dinner.

A ferocious recruiter in the St. Louis area, McMahon was honored by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming as the Midwest's top football recruiter in 1999.

McMahon came to Illinois in 1992 from Nevada-Las Vegas, where he spent two seasons coaching offensive tackles and tight ends. McMahon also spent time at Valdosta, Southern Illinois, North Alabama and Minnesota.

A native of Rantoul, the home of the Illinois football training camp, McMahon earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from Eastern Illinois in 1982 after playing three seasons as a free safety for the Panthers. As a player, McMahon was a part of the 1978 NCAA Division II national championship EIU squad and 1980 NCAA runner-up.

McMahon and his wife, Linda, have three children, sons Drew and Sam and a daughter, Lisa. The McMahons reside in Champaign.

MCMAHON'S COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1992-present	University of Illinois (tight ends/special teams)
1990-91	University of Nevada-Las Vegas (offensive tackles/tight ends/special teams)
1989-90	Valdosta State College (defensive backs)
1988-89	Southern Illinois Univ. (receivers/tight ends)
1985-87	Univ. of North Alabama (receivers/tight ends)
1983-84	University of Minnesota (graduate assistant)
1982-83	Eastern Illinois University (student coach)



DAN O'DELL
Quarterbacks
San Jose State, '98
First Season



Dan O'Dell begins his first season as quarterbacks coach at the University of Illinois, following three years spent with the Illini as a graduate assistant. He spent two years working with the highly touted Fighting Illini offensive line, including the record setting 1999 season when the line led the team to the highest scoring offense in school history and in 2000 when the line held defenses to only 20 sacks, the 17th lowest in the country.

In 1998, O'Dell worked as a graduate assistant in football recruiting and operations. O'Dell earned his B.A. in psychology from San Jose State in May of '98 after concluding a four-year career as quarterback for the Spartans.

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O'Dell, 23, is a native of Martinez, Calif., and graduated from Alhambra High School in 1993, where he was a standout in football, basketball and baseball. O'Dell was a four-year letterwinner at San Jose State, starting the final six games of his senior season. He completed 87 of 180 passes (48 percent) for 1,130 yards and 13 touchdowns in nine games, including a 70-yard TD pass and six touchdowns rushing.

During his six weeks as the starting quarterback, O'Dell was named the Western Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Week twice, throwing five touchdown passes and running for one TD in a 55-48 overtime victory in the season finale against UNLV.

After starting the season 0-6, the Spartans were 4-2 with O'Dell as the starter, defeating UTEP, Air Force, Hawaii and UNLV. Following the season, O'Dell was voted offensive captain for the 1997 season by his teammates.

O'Dell is interested in pursuing a career in college coaching and is enrolled in graduate school in the College of Education working towards a master's degree. O'Dell is the nephew of head coach Ron Turner. He is single and resides in Urbana.

O'DELL'S COACHING HISTORY

1998-2000 University of Illinois (graduate assistant)



DONNIE THOMPSON Defensive Line Coach Connecticut, '75 First Season



Donnie Thompson joins the University of Illinois coaching staff following 12 years coaching the defensive line for the North Carolina Tar Heels.

During his time with the Tar Heels, Thompson tutored 13 defensive linemen currently in the NFL, including three first-round draft picks, Ebenezer Ekuban in 1999, Greg Ellis in 1998 and Marcus Jones in 1996. In 1999, the Tar Heel defense ranked

18th in the nation, second in the ACC and the squad set a new school record for sacks in a season with 53. Thompson aided in seven bowl appearances at North Carolina, with a win over Virginia Tech in the 1997 Gator Bowl. During 1995-97, the Tar Heel's defense ranked in the Top-6 in total defense.

Thompson began his coaching career at his alma mater, Connecticut in 1975 working with linebackers and defensive ends. In 1981, Thompson moved to the University of Pittsburgh to coach the defensive line and in his four seasons the Panthers went to the Cotton Bowl in 1983 and the Fiesta Bowl in '84.

Prior to his tenure in Chapel Hill, N.C., Thompson worked as the defensive coordinator at East Carolina and Western Kentucky for two seasons each.

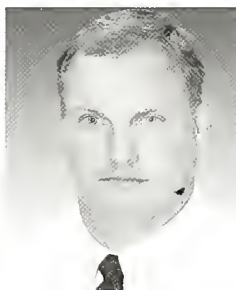
A Bogalusa, La., native, Thompson is a 1975 graduate of the University of Connecticut where he was an All-East linebacker in 1973 after recording a school record 178 solo tackles. He was also the team's Most Valuable Player and captain. He has two children, Don and Arnie and three grandchildren. Thompson was married to Shirley Claiborne in 1999.

THOMPSON COACHING HISTORY

1997-2000	University of North Carolina (Assistant Head Coach / Defensive Line)
1989-96	University of North Carolina (Defensive Line)
1987-88	East Carolina University (Defensive Coordinator)
1985-86	Western Kentucky (Defensive Coordinator)
1981-84	University of Pittsburgh (Defensive line)
1975-81	University of Connecticut (linebackers/defensive ends)



JIM ZIELINSKI Strength and Conditioning Coach Northern Illinois, '86 Third Season



Veteran strength coach Jim Zielinski, who spent four years as Director of Strength and Conditioning at Oregon State, begins his third season as the head strength coach for the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics at the University of Illinois and begins his second season with the Fighting Illini football program.

Zielinski, a native of Rockford, Ill., graduated from Northern Illinois in 1986 where he

was a defensive tackle under Coach Bill Mallory. He helped lead his squad to a win in the California Bowl in 1983. He earned a bachelor of science in business management with an emphasis in exercise physiology.

A 10-year veteran of the business, Zielinski joins Turner's staff after stints at Oregon State University (1995-99), Northern Illinois University (1988-95) and Nebraska (1988). During his time at OSU, he was responsible for the program design, speed and strength development and all test and evaluation for the football program as well as the other 14 Division I sports.

From 1988-1995, Zielinski was the head strength and conditioning coordinator for the Northern Illinois Huskies 16-sport program. During his six-and-a-half years at NIU, Zielinski implemented the program design and monitoring the athlete's daily progress.

Zielinski began his career as an assistant strength coach at the University of Nebraska in 1988. He is certified as a strength and conditioning specialist by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Zielinski and his wife Teresa, who is also an Illinois-native, and their four children, James Edward, Alexandra Marie, Zachary and Christopher.



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DERYK GILMORE **Director of Football Operations** **Penn State, '90** **Eighth Season**



Deryk Gilmore enters his second year as Director of Football Operations after serving four years as academic counselor for Fighting Illini football. Gilmore's responsibilities include coordinating the day-to-day operations for the entire U of I football program, working closely with the staff and DIA administration in all aspects of planning for Illini football, including facilities, travel recruiting and game management.

Gilmore joined the academic services staff in June 1996 after serving two years as the DIA's assistant ticket manager. During Gilmore's tenure as academic counselor, the Illini boasted 40 academic All-Big Ten selections, two GTE Academic All-Americans and a cumulative GPA of 2.78 in the fall of 1999, which was an increase from 2.19 prior to the Turner era. In 1999, all 22 seniors were on pace to graduate and 30 members of the squad had a 3.0 or better. Prior to assuming a position in the DIA, Gilmore worked at the Illini Union as its Travel Center manager.

Gilmore is a 1990 graduate of Penn State University, from where he received his B.S. in agriculture business. He was a two-year letterman for the Nittany Lion football team, playing on Penn State's 1986 national championship squad. During his time at Penn State, Gilmore played in the 1986 Fiesta Bowl and the 1987 Citrus Bowl.

Gilmore graduated from the University of Illinois with an M.B.A. and an M.S. in sports management in 1997. Before coming to Illinois, Gilmore was employed by the Center for Academic Computing at Penn State. He also worked as an advisor to incoming student-athletes. Gilmore and his wife, Camille, live in Champaign, with their sons Dantae and Deion.



JAMES WILLIAMS **Defensive Graduate Assistant** **Illinois, '98** **Third Season**



James Williams begins his third year with the Illini and second with the Illini defense. Williams aided with a defensive backfield that allowed only 179.9 yards per game and produced honorable mention All-Big Ten selection, Eugene Wilson. Among Williams' other duties are working closely with the scout teams.

Williams, who served as the graduate assis-

tant for football operations in 1999, is a 1998 graduate of Illinois and a three-year football letterwinner.

In 1999, Williams assisted with many tasks in the operations office, including the organization of Camp Rantoul, official recruiting weekends and the team's traveling itineraries. This season he will contribute to the defensive side of the ball concentrating on the Illinois backfield.

Prior to returning to Illinois, Williams served as assistant coach for Danville High School under Coach Nate Cunningham, Sr. during the 1998 season. He helped lead the Vikings to a 5-4 record.

A native of Flossmoor, Ill., Williams was a two-year starter at cornerback for the Illini recording 113 total tackles and two interceptions in his four-year career. Out of high school, Williams was a *USA Today* All-USA selection and a *Chicago Tribune* all-stater at Homewood-Flossmoor High School.

Williams recently married the former Alveda Finnell who is in her fourth year as a Ph.D student in chemistry at the University of Illinois. The couple resides in Champaign.



MATT LUECKE **Offensive Graduate Assistant** **Wilmington College, '98** **First Season**



Matt Luecke begins his first season working with the University of Illinois coaching staff and the Illini defense. At Illinois, he will work mainly with the nationally recognized offensive line and Harry Hiestand. Other responsibilities include work with the scout teams. Luecke is pursuing a Ph.D in Educational Policy Studies during his tenure in Champaign.

Luecke joins the Illini following two seasons as a graduate assistant at Arkansas State aiding the offensive line and special teams. During that time, he completed his masters degree in secondary school administration.

Luecke graduated from Wilmington College in 1998 with a degree in secondary physical education. He was a three-year letterwinner for WC and was named the team's captain as a senior. Luecke was selected to play in the Senior All-Stars Bowl in Louisville, Ky. During his stint at Wilmington College, in addition to playing football, he also spent his last semester coaching the team as well. He served as the assistant coach working with the offensive line and special teams.

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heisman trophy candidate johnny unitas award candidate
davey o'brien award candidate

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KURT KITTNER

QB, 6-3, 210, Sr.
Schaumburg, Ill.
Schaumburg H.S.

2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Football News honorable mention All-American ... Ranked fourth in the Big Ten in passing and sixth in pass efficiency ... Named the team's MVP and offensive player of the year ... Played in 10 games, missing the season finale with a concussion, which was suffered against Ohio State ... Ranked 27th in the nation in passing and 30th in passing efficiency ... Threw for a career-high 352 yards against 10th-ranked Michigan and passed for 71 percent and two touchdowns in the game ... Completed a career-high 72 percent of his passes in win over Indiana and threw for 277 yards and three touchdowns ... Threw 13 passes over 30 yards during the season ... Earned Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in win over Indiana ... Ranked third in Big Ten in touchdown passes thrown and recorded third-best passing percentage ... Threw for 326 yards on 29-of-49 passing and three touchdowns at Penn State ... Had five games with three touchdown passes thrown, including wins against Middle Tennessee, San Diego State, Indiana and Iowa.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Earned Most Valuable Player honors for his performance at the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Threw two touchdown passes against Virginia to break a 10-year old UI record for most TD passes in a single-season with 24 ... Also rushed for a TD and caught a 30-yard touchdown pass from Brandon Lloyd, while passing for 254 yards in win over UVa ... Tied an Illinois and Micronpc.com Bowl record for most points in a game with 12 ... Honorable mention All-Big Ten selection ... Named the team's Most Valuable Player and Offensive Player of the Year ... Earned Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week honors twice this season ... Started all 12 games for the Illini ... Racked up impressive numbers in leading Illinois to highest scoring offense in school history ... Threw only five interceptions in 396 attempts, among the fewest in the nation ... Rated 47th in the nation in passing efficiency and 31st in total offense ... Ranked second in the Big Ten in TD passes with 24 ... Ranked second in the Big Ten in passing yardage per game (225.2)

- **Returns as one of the top quarterbacks nationally**
- **Heisman Trophy Candidate**
- **Davey O'Brien Award Candidate**
- **Johnny Unitas Award Candidate**
- **All-America Candidate**
- **All-Big Ten Candidate**
- **Named an honorable mention Football News All-American**
- **Has registered 60 percent or better passing in 10 career games, including five games over 70 percent**
- **Thrown for over 250 yards in six career games, over 300 yards in three games**
- **Set school record for touchdown passes in a single season with 24 in 1999**
- **Recorded three touchdown passes or more in nine games**
- **Has 43 career touchdown passes which ranks second in Illinois history, 12 away from record held by Jack Trudeau**
- **Ranks fourth on Illinois' all-time passing list as well as fifth in career pass completions, fourth in pass attempts and fourth in career total offense.**

... Led Illini to a comeback victory over then-No. 9 Michigan with four-touchdown, 280-yard, 73 percent completion performance ... Threw for a career-high 323 yards against then-No. 19 Michigan State, the first 300+ yard game for an Illini QB since 1991 ... Connected with 12 different receivers for 24 touchdowns... Led Illini to a 46-20 win at No. 25 Ohio State, the worst home loss for the Buckeyes since 1946 ... Registered seven multiple touchdown passing games, including three games with four TD passes.



1998 HIGHLIGHTS

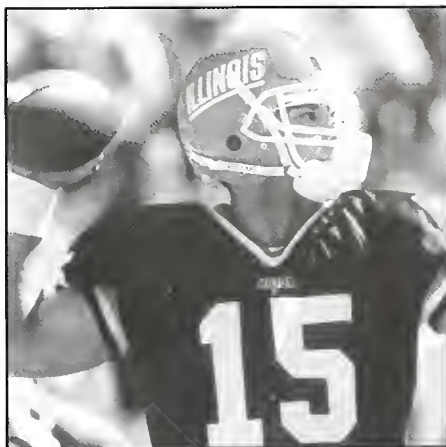
Became first true-freshman to start at quarterback in 52 years when he opened the game at Iowa ... Earned first varsity letter, hitting 72 of 162 passes (44.4%) for 782 yards with one touchdown and seven interceptions ... Played in nine games, making five consecutive starts at quarterback ... Made debut with kneeldown vs. Middle Tennessee, entering Louisville game in relief to hit 9-27 passes for 74 yards and scoring first TD on a 61-yard scramble ... Became first UI true frosh to start at quarterback since Bernie Krueger in 1946 when he went 13-33 for 245 yards vs. Iowa ... Hit 8-16 passes for 216 yards with 50- and 40-yard completions in fourth quarter vs. Hawkeyes ... Engineered victory at Northwestern with 13-20 performance for 124 yards and one TD ... Hit 19 of 43 passes for 156 yards vs. Ohio State and was 9-17 for 86 yards vs. Wisconsin ... Made fifth consecutive start at Purdue, going 5-11 for 31 yards ... Hit 3-10 for 52 yards at Michigan State.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Played quarterback and linebacker at Schaumburg ... One of the state's most sought-after recruits, Kittner threw for 449 yards in a game early in 1997 season and had amassed nearly 1,200 passing yards when broken thumb sidelined him for the season after four games ... Returned with a cast on his hand to play linebacker during the second half of the season ... In 1996, Kittner threw for 1,891 yards and 20 touchdowns in leading Schaumburg to second consecutive state playoff appearance ... Racked up 356 yards passing



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and five touchdowns in 1996 game ... A two-time all-area and all-Mid Suburban League pick ... A Super Prep all-regional selection ... Selected to play in 1998 Suburban All-Star Game... Led Schaumburg to 8-1 mark, Mid-Suburban League title and IHSA Class 6A Elite Eight berth in 1995 and 6-4 mark in 1996 ... High school coach was Tom Cerasini, who has sent six quarterbacks to Division I-A football, including eventual NFL player Paul Justin ... High school offensive coordinator was Mark Steger, brother of former UI quarterback Kurt Steger.

PERSONAL

Full given name is Kurt Kittner ... Born on Jan. 23, 1980 in Schaumburg, Ill. ... Mother is Lee Trantin ... Intends to major in business ... Admires former Denver Bronco quarterback John Elway ... Past summer jobs include working for a professional cleaning company.

CAREER HIGHS

Yards: 352 vs. Michigan, 9/23/00
 Completions: 30 vs. MSU, 9/25/99
 Attempts: 54 vs. MSU, 9/25/99
 Completion percentage: 72.4 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
 Long pass: 67 at Louisville, 9/18/99
 TD passes: 4, three times

PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	Int.	LP
1998	9	162	72	44.4	782	1	7	50
1999	12	396	216	54.5	2702	24	5	67
2000	10	297	173	58.2	1982	18	8	61
Total	31	855	461	53.9	5466	43	20	67

RUSHING STATS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LONG
1998	9	43	28	0.7	3.1	2	61
1999	12	67	83	1.2	6.9	1	30
2000	10	44	61	1.4	6.1	2	13
Total	31	154	172	1.1	5.5	5	61

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LONG
1999	12	1	30	30.0	2.5	1	30

PUNTING STATISTICS

YEAR	NO	YDS	AVG.	LG	TB	FC	120
2000	1	44	44.0	44	1	0	0

KITTNER GAME-BY-GAME (2000)

GAME	ATT.	COMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT.
MT	26	18	1	185	3	30	69.2
@ SDSU	25	18	0	148	3	20	72.0
CAL	16	4	0	73	1	42	25.0
MICH	38	27	0	352	2	58	71.1
@ MINN	34	13	1	103	0	17	38.2
IOWA	25	17	1	248	3	61	68.0
@ PSU	49	29	2	326	3	57	59.2
@ MSU	29	13	2	104	0	38	44.8
IND	29	21	0	277	3	51	72.4
OSU	26	13	1	166	0	47	50.0

KITTNER GAME-BY-GAME (1999)

GAME	ATT.	COMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT.
ASU	28	17	0	217	2	49	60.7
SDSU	25	16	0	230	3	54	64.0
@ UL	24	17	0	244	4	67	70.8
MSU	54	30	1	323	1	46	55.6
@ IND	35	15	0	181	1	25	42.9
MINN	45	19	1	180	1	32	42.2
@ MICH	33	24	0	280	4	59	72.7
PSU	26	7	0	92	0	33	26.9
@ IOWA	41	24	0	289	2	35	58.5
@ OSU	31	17	0	221	4	32	54.8
NW	30	16	2	191	0	46	53.3
UVA*	24	14	1	254	2	61	58.3

* Micronpc.com Bowl; Miami, Fla.

KITTNER GAME-BY-GAME (1998)

GAME	ATT.	COMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT.
MT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
UL	27	9	0	74	0	22	33.3
IOWA	33	13	2	245	0	50	39.3
@ NW	20	13	1	124	1	37	65.0
OSU	43	19	0	156	0	32	44.2
WIS	17	9	2	86	0	25	52.9
@ PUR	11	5	1	31	0	13	45.4
@ PSU	1	1	0	14	0	14	100.0

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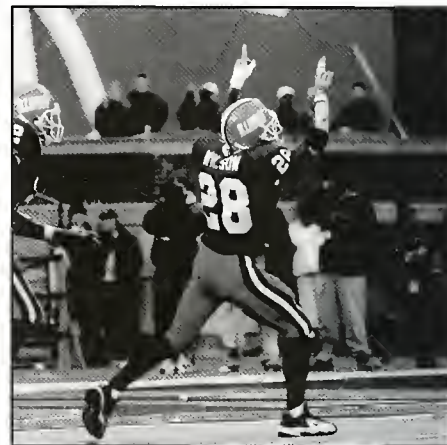
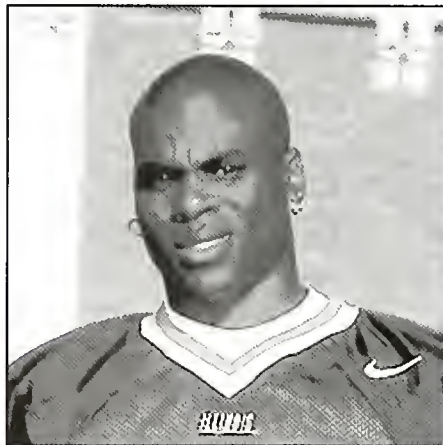
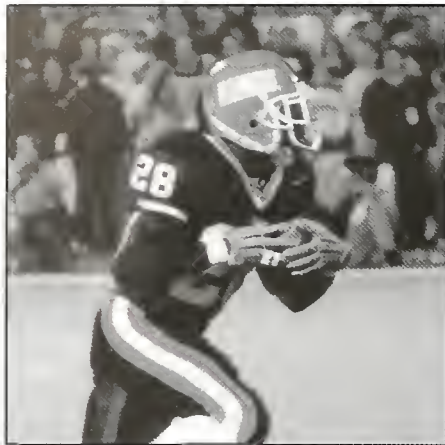


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EUGENE WILSON

CB, 6-0, 183, Jr.
Merrillville, Ind.
Merrillville H.S.

thorpe award candidate
all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Played and started in all 11 games ... Earned honorable mention all-Big Ten honors ... Finished the season with three interceptions in the last three games ... Ranked eighth in the conference with four interceptions ... Totaled 37 tackles, one tackle for loss and 16 pass deflections ... Ranked seventh in the Big Ten in pass deflections ... Recorded a career-high six tackles against Michigan State and at Northwestern ... Posted three passes broken up in three games vs. California, Iowa and Ohio State ... Picked off first collegiate pass at San Diego State and returned it for 22 yards ... Posted three tackles and two interceptions against OSU ... Recovered a fumble against MSU ... Led the team in punt returns with 14 for 72 yards, an average of 5.1 yards per return, ranking ninth in the Big Ten ... Totaled four tackles and an interception in win over Indiana ... Returned two kickoffs for 30 yards.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Dangerous punt returner recorded seventh highest single-season punt return average (9.8) in Illinois' history ... 304 punt return yards were highest by an Illinois player since 1993 ... Was just four yards shy of setting a new Illinois record for punt return yards in a season ... Tallied 80 yards in punt returns in first collegiate game vs. Arkansas State, including a 65-yard TD return, which was the first Illinois punt return for TD since 1984 ... Had 109 punt return yards vs. San Diego State, including a 56-yard return to the 2 yard line ... Ranked 36th in the nation in punt returns.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: All-Dunlend Athletic Conference selection ... Named conference MVP on defense ... Two-time all-state selection ... Named "Defensive Player of the Year" by Post-Tribune ... Played cornerback, running back, and wide receiver at Merrillville H.S. ... Team went 8-3 senior season ... Earned three letters in football and four in basketball ... Was four-year varsity starter in basketball ... Two-time all-conference basketball selection ... Led team in scoring and assists.

PERSONAL

Full given name is Eugene W. Wilson II ... Nickname is Geno ... Born Jan. 20, 1981 in Merrillville, Ind. ... Parents are Eugene and Murlean Wilson ... Has one brother and one sister ... Intends on

majoring in business and one day owning his own real estate business ... Enjoys food and hanging out with friends.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6 at Mich. St., 10/28/00 & at N'western, 11/18/00
Solo Tackles: 5 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
Interceptions: 2 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Interception Return Yards: 22 at SDSU, 9/9/00
Recovered Fumble: 1 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
PBU: 3, three times (last time vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00)
Punt Returns: 8 vs. San Diego State, 9/11/99
Return Yards: 109 vs. San Diego State, 9/11/99
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Arkansas State, 9/4/99
Long Return: 65 vs. Arkansas State, 9/4/99

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	INT- YDS	FUM
1999	11	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0
2000	11	26	11	37	1-6	0-0	1
Total	22	29	11	40	1-6	0-0	1

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
1999	31	304	9.8	1	65
2000	14	72	5.1	0	13
Total	45	376	8.4	1	65



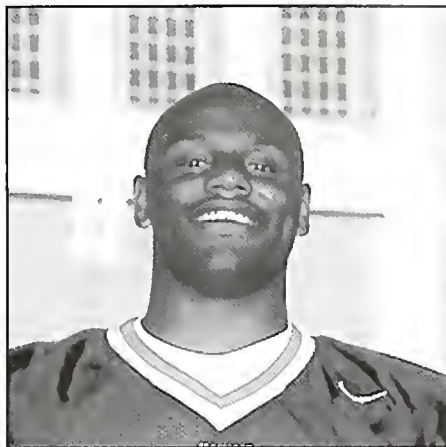
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#2

BOBBY JACKSON

S, 6-1, 211, Sr.
Corvallis, Ore.
Crescent Valley H.S.

thorpe award candidate
all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Started all 11 games for the Illini ... Named team's co-captain ... Tallied a career high 12 tackles, including seven solo tackles against Michigan ... Ranked fourth on the team in total tackles with 76, 53 of those solo tackles ... Also totaled three tackles for loss ... Registered nine tackles in each of the last four games of the season ... Recorded interceptions against San Diego State and Michigan State, including a 39-yard return for a touchdown at MSU ... Registered only sack of the season in win over California ... Had four passes broken up ... Ranked 21st in the Big Ten in total tackles ... Returned to starting lineup after rehabing a torn ACL during the 1999 season.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Tore his ACL during '99 spring practice and sat out the regular season ... Returned from injury in November and worked out on the scout team ... Father, Robert, and brother, Marc, joined Bobby in Champaign, Robert as Illinois' receivers coach and Marc played in all 11 games at safety as a true-freshman.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS

Started all 11 games at strong safety, ranking fifth on UI squad with 51 tackles, including 41 solos with two tackles-for-loss, one interception, six passes broken up and one forced fumble ... Made season-high 10 tackles with five solos vs. Ohio State ... Made four stops with one tackle for loss and a forced fumble at Washington State ... Made eight stops with six solos and three passes broken up vs. Louisville ... Made five tackles with four solos vs. Iowa and Northwestern ... Made seven solos with two tackles for loss at Penn State ... Recorded eight tackles with seven solos and an interception vs. Indiana ... Added a tackle for loss and pass broken up at Michigan State.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS

Lettered as a true freshman, playing in all 11 games ... Moved into starting strong safety position for final five games of the season ... Made first collegiate start vs. Purdue, responding with 11 tackles, eight solos and three passes broken up ... Made first career interception in season finale vs. Michigan State ... Made 36 tackles, including 28 solos, with five TFLs, one interception, four passes broken up and one fumble recovery ... Had six tackles vs. Northwestern, eight stops with seven solos at Ohio State and six tackles vs. Michigan State with an interception and a fumble recovery.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Earned first-team All-Valley League honors twice and was named 1996

league defensive player of the year ... A two-time all-region selection, also earning all-region honors in track ... A second-team all-state selection ... Named All-American by Parade, Super Prep and BlueChip magazine, the lone selection from Oregon or Washington ... Top defensive back in Northwest as selected by Student Sports ... No. 2 strong safety in the nation as selected by The National Recruiting Advisor ... Played free safety, running back and wide receiver ... Made a team-leading 84 tackles, including 54 solos, along with six interceptions as a senior ... Returned three interceptions for touchdowns ... Also rushed for 385 yards on 72 carries and scored five touchdowns ... Caught 21 passes for 367 yards and three touchdowns ... Helped lead Crescent Valley to two consecutive state play-off appearances and the 1995 Valley League title ... High school coach was Mike Fagan ... Earned three letters in football, one in basketball and four in track ... Ran a 10.8 in the 100 meter dash, also ran 200-meter dash and on relays ... Broke school records in 200 meter dash (22.1) and 4x100 meter relay (43.58).

PERSONAL

Grew up in Illinois and lived in suburban Matteson until 1991 ... Father, Robert II, was football coach at Thornwood High School and Northern Illinois University before heading to Oregon State from 1990-98 ... Brother, Marc, is a sophomore free safety for the Illini ... Parents are Robert and Jo Ann Jackson ... Robert is receivers coach for the Illini ... Originally planned to major in aeronautical engineering but is now pursuing a business career.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 12 vs. Michigan, 9/23/00
Solo Tackles: 8 vs. Purdue, 10/25/97 & vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
TFL: 2 at Penn State, 10/31/98
Interception: 1, four times last at Michigan State, 10/28/00
PBU: 3 vs. vs. Purdue, 10/25/97 & vs. Louisville, 9/19/98

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FUM
1997	11	28	8	36	5-17	1-0	4
1998	11	41	10	51	2-3	1-0	6
1999					medical redshirt		
2000	11	53	23	76	3-8	2-39	0
Total	33	112	41	163	10-28	4-39	10

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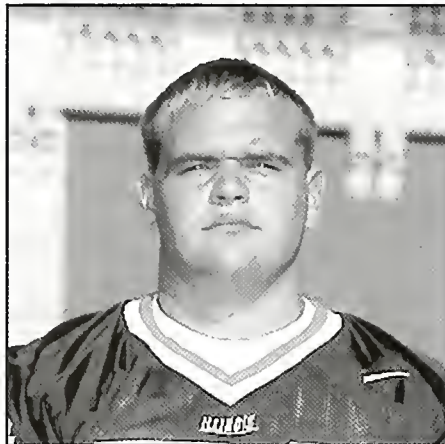


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LUKE BUTKUS

C, 6-4, 287, Sr.
Stegar, Ill.
Bloom Township H.S.

dave rimington award candidate
all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors ... Started in all 11 games and has started 23 consecutive games at center for the Illini ... O-line was rated among the top-10 in many preseason publications ... Tallied 56 knockdowns ... Was in on 581 offensive snaps, second highest on the team behind All-American Marques Sullivan ... Line held the San Diego State defense without a sack and allowed only 20 sacks in 361 pass plays for an average of one sack every 18.1 pass attempts ... Helped lead offense to second consecutive 2,000 yard passing season and over 1,700 rushing yards for the second straight year, something that hasn't been accomplished by Illini teams since the 1989 and '90 seasons.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Started all 12 games at center ... Helped hold four defenses sackless (Michigan, Ohio State, Iowa, and Northwestern) ... Line allowed the Illini to rush for 2,082 yards (5th in the Big Ten) and pass for 2,805 (3rd in the conference) ... Totaled 46 knockdowns for the season ... Missed the second half against Arkansas State with sprained ankle ... Took 94 snaps against Michigan State and over 80 snaps against Ohio State, Iowa and Indiana ... Anchored young offensive line that showed improvement each game.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS

Saw action in eight games as a backup center ... Also played extensively on field goal unit ... Earned first varsity letter.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS

Redshirted the 1997 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Earned All-S.I.C.A. East honors, all-area selection by the Star Newspapers, *Chicago Sun-Times*, and the *Daily Southtown* ... Named an all-state selection by IHSA Coaches Association, the *Champaign-Urbana News-Gazette* and the *Chicago Tribune* ... Member of Tom Lemming's Top 24 Reebok All-America team featured at Disney World ... Played center, tackle, defensive line and

linebacker in high school ... High school coach was Tony Pietrzak ... Earned four letters in football, four in baseball, and one in wrestling ... Earned high honor roll and honor roll accolades at Bloom Trail.

PERSONAL

Nephew of the greatest linebacker in football history, Dick Butkus, who played at Illinois from 1962-64 and enjoyed an eight-year Hall-of-Fame career with the Chicago Bears from 1965-73 ... Cousin, Mark Butkus, lettered at Illinois from 1980-83, earning All-Big Ten honors in 1983 ... Brother, Josh, also attended Illinois ... Parents are Ron and Judy Butkus ... Father, Ron, attended Illinois and later played with the NFL's Chicago Cardinals ... Lists biggest sports thrill as hitting two homers in a game against arch-rival Homewood-Flossmoor ... Has four brothers and three sisters ... Would like to major in education and teach/coach in the future.



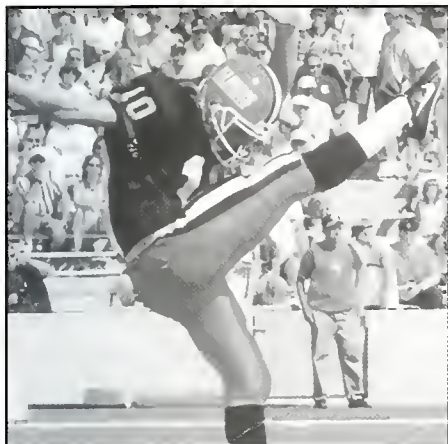
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#10

STEVE FITTS

P, 6-0, 201, Sr.
South Congaree, S.C.
Airport H.S.

ray guy award candidate
all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Finished the season with 52 punts for 2,128 yards, an average of 40.9 yards per punt ... Averaged over 45 yards per punt in two games this season, including an 64 yard average at Penn State ... Started the season as the team's placekicker and punter, the first time an Illinois kicker has handled both roles since 1953 ... Tallied eight punts over 50 yards ... Was five-of-10 in field goal attempts, hitting a career-long 47 yarder at Minnesota ... Was a perfect 25-of-25 in extra point attempts ... Ranked second on the team in scoring with 40 points ... Ranks fifth in Illinois career punts and fourth in all-time punting yardage ... Placed 11 punts inside the 20 yardline and 13 punts were unreturnable ... Averaged 46.5 yards per punt against Michigan ... Made seven-of-seven PATs at San Diego State ... Also registered three tackles on special teams.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Garnered honorable mention All-Big Ten honors ... Ranked 31st nationally and fourth in the Big Ten ... Eclipsed 1998 average of 41.3 yards per punt with 42.3 average in 1999, which ranks as the second highest single season average in Illini history ... Ranks first on UI all-time list for career average, eighth for career punts and career yards ... Set career highs for punts (13 vs. Penn State) and average (48.5 vs. Indiana) ... Averaged 48.5 yards on six punts against Indiana and 48.3 on four tries vs. Louisville for the eighth and ninth highest average on the Illinois single-game list ... Blasted punts of 75, 74, and 70 yards during season ... Placed 15 punts inside the 20 yardline ... Did not have a punt blocked in 65 attempts ... Threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to kicker Neil Rackers for the first punter/kicker TD combination in school history in the Illini's win over Iowa ... Completed an 18-yard pass to Jameel Cook for a first down in the Illini's 46-20 win at No. 25 Ohio State ... His 2,749 yards in 1999 are the fifth-most in a single season in school history ... Did not punt in the Illini's rout of Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Moved into the Illinois record book as a true freshman punter, kicking 77 times for 3,182 yards, a 41.3 yard average ... Drilled 13 punts inside the 20 yard line and ended the season with a 36.0 net punting average ... His 77 attempts and 3,182 yards both ranked fourth in all-time UI single-season list and 41.3 yard average would rank first on career list ... Big Ten Player of the Week October 19 after booting six punts for a 44.3 yard average and a career-long 78-yard punt in difficult winds vs. Wisconsin ... Enjoyed seven games averaging 41 yards or better ... Made UI debut with eight punts for 43.6 yard average at Washington State ... Season-high 11 attempts vs. Louisville ... Kicked 10 times for 482 yards, 48.2 yard average with a 66-yarder vs. Ohio State ... Averaged 43.3 at Purdue (three attempts), 43.2 (six punts) vs. Indiana and 42.0 (five attempts) at Michigan State.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Played punter, kicker and quarterback at Airport High School in Gaston, S.C. ... Set six punting and six kicking records at Airport H.S. ... Punted 147 times for 5,898 yards (40.1 average) in his high school career, including a school record 53 punts for 2,090 yards in 1996 and a 44.1 average in 1997 ... As a placekicker, hit 20-of-29 field goals and 51-of-56 extra points, including a 47-yarder and hit eight out of nine field goals his senior season ... A perfect 4-4 on field goals in playoff and all-star games ... Also recorded 32 touchbacks on kickoffs in 1997 ... A two-time all-state punter by the High School Sports Report and The State ... Also earned all-region 3-AAAA honors twice and all-area honors three times ... Earned Homecoming MVP and Team Captain Award ... Named to 1997 South Carolina North-South All-Star team ... Named MVP in annual BC Game ... High school coach was Les Evans.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Steven Raymond Fitts, Jr. Born Feb. 7, 1980 in Augusta, Ga. ... Earned five varsity letters, including three in football and two in soccer ... Two-time MVP in soccer, earning All-Region 3-AAAA honors before quitting soccer to concentrate on football in 1996-97 ... Served on newspaper and Student Council ... Father, Steven, kicked on Clemson's freshman team in 1971 ... Parents are Steven and Rosemary Fitts ... Father, Steve, is President of Fitts Company and mother, Rosemary, is President of Innovation Design ... Intends to major in business and become an entrepreneur ... Enjoys hunting, fishing and snow skiing ... Favorite athlete is former Clemson All-America kicker and punter Chris Gardocki ... Past summer jobs include construction work and sign manufacturing ... Hometown is known for hosting the Congaree Western Weekend.

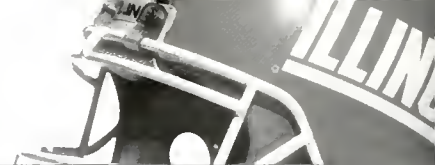
CAREER HIGHS

Attempts: 13 vs. PSU, 10/30/99
Yards: 482 vs. PSU, 10/30/99 & vs. Ohio State, 10/10/98
Average: 48.5 at Indiana 10/2/99
Long: 78 vs. Wisconsin, 10/17/98

PUNTING STATISTICS

YEAR	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG	INSIDE	NET
					20	AVG.
1998	77	3182	41.3	78	13	36.1
1999	65	2749	42.3	75	15	36.1
2000	52	2128	40.9	64	11	36.3
Total	194	8059	41.5	78	39	36.2

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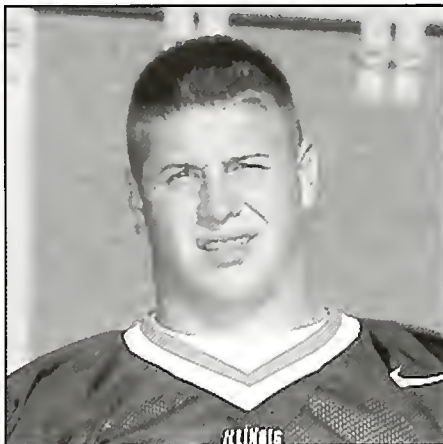


#42

JERRY SCHUMACHER

LB, 6-3, 230, Jr.
Chicago, Ill.
Mt. Carmel H.S.

butkus award candidate
all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Started in all 11 games and ranked second on the team in total tackles ... Ranked seventh in the conference with 104 tackles, 73 of which solo ... Also registered two tackles for loss and three pass deflections ... Had a career-high 13 in games against Ohio State and Northwestern ... Had 12 tackles and a tackle for loss vs. Michigan State ... Had 10 solo tackles at Minnesota ... Registered 10 tackles in shutout win over Iowa ... Recorded nine tackles vs. Michigan and at Penn State ... Posted double-digit tackles in five games and nine-plus tackles in seven games ... Had six tackles, a tackle for loss and a pass broken up at San Diego State.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Reserve linebacker saw action in all 11 games on special teams and on defense as a true-freshman ... Recorded 17 tackles, including one for loss ... Ranked second on team with two forced fumbles ... Had key block in Eugene Wilson's 56-yard punt return which got the Illini to the 2 yardline ... Posted two solo tackles including one for loss in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

All-conference and MVP of Catholic League Metro Blue division ... *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun Times* all-state selection ... All-American honorable mention by *USA Today* ... Selected as a "Super Sleeper" signee by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming ... Played outside linebacker, tight end and special teams for Mt. Carmel's IHSA class 5A championship team under Coach Frank Lenti ... Helped lead the Caravan to a 14-0 record and Chicago Catholic Metro Blue Conference championship ... Lettered in football and basketball.

PERSONAL

Full given name is Gerald Francis Schumacher ... Nickname is Schu ... Born Dec. 19, 1980 in Chicago ... Parents are Gerald and Catherine Schumacher ... Has one brother and two sisters ... Sister Katie was a member of the 1999 national championship Penn State

volleyball team ... Member of the national honor society ... Plans on majoring in business ... Favorite athlete is Michael Jordan ... Enjoys fishing and golf ... Lists most memorable athletic moment as winning the football state championship ... Father, Jerry, played football at the University of Michigan ... Uncle, Frank Maloney, coached football at Michigan and Syracuse ... Lists Fighting Illini athletic hero as Dick Butkus ... Played at same high school that produced former Illini standout and current NFL star Simeon Rice.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 13 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00 & at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Solos: 10, three times (last time vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00)
TFL: 1, four times (last time at Michigan State, 10/28/00)

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-		SACKS-		FUM.	PBU
					YDS	YDS	YDS	YDS		
1999	12	12	7	19	2-4	0-0			2	0
2000	11	73	31	104	2-11	0-0			0	3
Total	23	85	38	123	4-15	0-0			2	3



FIGHTING ILLINI

#96

BRANDON MOORE

DT, 6-3, 275, Sr.
Gary, Ind.
West Side

all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Started all 11 games ... Ranked eighth on the team with 55 tackles ... Totaled seven tackles for loss, three sacks and five quarterback hurries ... Had a career-high nine tackles, including eight solos against Ohio State ... Registered eight tackles, one for loss and two quarterback hurries vs. Indiana ... Posted seven tackles and a quarterback hurry at Penn State ... Had six tackles at both Minnesota and Michigan State ... Recorded sacks against Middle Tennessee, Michigan and Iowa ... Recovered a fumble in the Illini's shutout win over Iowa.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Started 11 of 12 games at defensive tackle ... Set career highs with five tackles, including three for loss, and two sacks vs. San Diego State ... Ranked third on team with four sacks ... Totaled 41 tackles, including six for loss ... Had two tackles for loss, one sack and five total tackles in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Recorded seven tackles, one sack and one QB hurry against Northwestern ... Recovered one fumble.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS

Moved steadily into the lineup as a true freshman, playing in 10 games, earning his first varsity letter and starting at defensive tackle vs. Penn State and Indiana ... Made 13 tackles, including 11 solos ... Made first career tackle at Northwestern ... Made career-high four tackles with two solos vs. Wisconsin ... Recorded two stops at Purdue and Penn State.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Played offensive guard and defensive end at West Side ... Led Northwest Conference with 15 quarterback sacks ... Led team with 91 tackles ... An All-Northwest pick on offense and defense ... Named to Indiana Football Coaches Association Top 50 all-state squad ... Named all-area by Hammond Times and Gary Post-Tribune ... Helped lead West Side to 1996 Northwest Conference title ... High school coach was Gene Johnson ... Earned 11 varsity letters in high school, including four in football, four in wrestling

and three in track and field ... Posted 20-3 mark as heavyweight wrestler as a junior.

PERSONAL

Full given name is Brandon Lamont Moore ... Nicknames are "B" and Big Moe ... Born June 3, 1980 in Gary, Ind. ... An honor student at West Side ... Lists most memorable moment in sports as being selected team captain as a senior by his teammates ... NFL standout Simeon Rice was his Fighting Illini hero ... Brother, Julian, played football at Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio ... Parents are Julius, who works at USX Steel Mill, and Brenda, personnel office at UICMC, Moore ... Plans to major in accounting and would like to pursue a career as a certified public accountant ... Enjoys bowling, shooting pool and playing the piano ... Favorite athlete is former Green Bay Packer star Reggie White ... Lists his culinary talents as a hidden skill.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 9 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Solos: 8 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
TFL: 3 vs. SDSU, 9/11/99
Sacks: 2 vs. SDSU, 9/11/99
Fumble Recovery: 1 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Quarterback Hurries: 2 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	FF- FR
1998	10	11	2	13	0-0	0-0	0-0
1999	12	27	19	46	8-31	5-24	0-1
2000	11	37	18	55	7-22	3-17	0-1
Total	34	75	39	114	15-53	8-41	0-2

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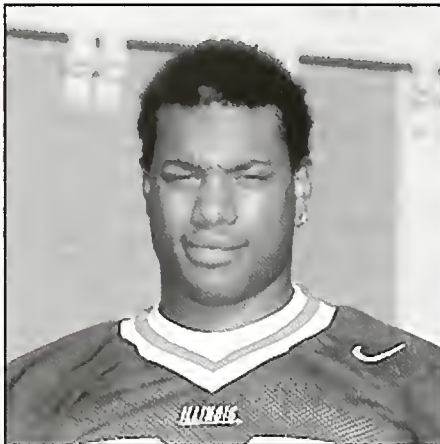
#23

ROCKY HARVEY

HB, 5-9, 186, Sr.
Chicago, Ill.
Dunbar H.S.

doak walker award candidate
all-big ten candidate

2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors ... Started in all 11 games for the Illini and rushed for 683 yards on 123 carries ... Second-leading rusher on the team, averaging 5.6 yards per carry ... Rushed for 112 yards in the season opener, scoring on a 62-yard run ... Followed up performance with 124 yards against San Diego State, making Illinois history with Antoine Harris as the first tailback duo to rush for over 100-yards in consecutive games ... Broke free for a 53 yard scamper at SDSU ... Posted 104 yards in Illini's shutout win over Iowa ... Scored second touchdown of the season vs. Michigan ... Tallied 59 yards on six carries and a touchdown against Ohio State ... Also had 17 receptions for 91 yards ... Returned eight kickoffs for 139 yards and led the team in all-purpose yardage ... Was a Doak Walker Award candidate.



1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Shared halfback duties with Steve Havard ... Speedy back led team with 10 plays of 20-plus yards from scrimmage, including five scores ... Rushed for 122 yards and two touchdowns Micronpc.com and Illinois bowl records ... Caught a short pass and turned it into a dramatic 59-yard touchdown to give Illinois a 28-27 lead at Michigan, less than two minutes later, he darted through the defense for a 54-yard TD run to seal the comeback victory ... Ranks 17th in career rushing at UI with 1408 yards ... Racked up consecutive 100-yard games (106 yards vs. Michigan, 145 yards vs. Penn State) ... Ranked second on team in touchdowns with seven (five rushing, two receiving) ... Ranked sixth on team with 15 receptions ... Took a Kurt Kittner pass 67 yards for a touchdown against Louisville for longest career reception ... Returned four kicks for 94 yards against Louisville en route to 176 all-purpose yards ... Ranked third on team with 242 receiving yards.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Exploded on national scene, named one of "Top 10 Rookies" by Sports Illustrated as he blazed his way to team-leading 634 yards on 134 carries (4.7 average) with team-high six touchdowns ... Also caught 10 passes for 24 yards, including clinching TD reception in victory at Northwestern ... Made one of greatest debuts in Illinois football history, rushing for freshman record 215 yards and three touchdowns, including a 48-yarder, on 24 carries in 48-20 win over Middle Tennessee ... Gained 86 yards on 17 carries vs. Louisville and 65 yards with one TD (25-yard dash) on 11 carries vs. Iowa ... Led victory at Northwestern, carrying the ball 40 times for 132 yards and one touchdown and catching six-yard clinching TD pass from Kurt Kittner ... Led team with 48 yards on seven carries with 26-yard TD in finale at Michigan State ... Most rushing yards and touchdowns by an Illini true freshman since Buddy Young in 1944 ... Also an electrifying kick returner, leading Illini with 16 kickoff returns for 406 yards (25.4 average) and 12 punt returns for 52 yards (4.3 avg.) ... Also recorded first career interception vs. Northwestern, catching fake punt pass on goal line to save touchdown ... Returned kickoff 77 yards vs. Louisville, 47 yards vs. Iowa, 36 yards at Northwestern and opening kickoff 53 yards at Penn State ... Also made two tackles.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: One of the most decorated running backs in Illinois prep history, breaking state prep records with 2,500 yards rushing and 40 touchdowns in 1997, leading state in rushing and TD's as Dunbar posted 12-3 mark for Head Coach Glen Johnson ... Averaged an incredible 15 yards per carry ... A two-time all-state selection, the Chicago "Player of the Year" pick by the Chicago Sun-Times ... A three-time All-Public League selection ... Led Dunbar to Illini South Conference title, Public League and City Championship ... Earned eight varsity letters at Dunbar, four in football and four in track ... The Public League 100-meter dash champion.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Rausell Harvey ... Nickname is Rocky ... Born Dec. 2, 1979 in Chicago, Ill. ... Worked on the school yearbook, newspaper and acted in school play ... Lists most memorable sports moments as scoring two touchdowns in Little League championship game and breaking state records for rushing and touchdowns ... Parents are Relton and Carolyn Harvey ... Intends to pursue major and career in television production and would one day like to work in the radio broadcasting industry ... Favorite athlete is Dallas Cowboys superstar Emmitt Smith ... Past summer jobs include working at Dunbar as part of Mayor Daley's Summer Job Program.

CAREER HIGHS

Yards: 215 vs. MTSU, 9/12/98
Attempts: 40 at Northwestern, 10/3/98
Long Run: 62 vs. Michigan, 10/23/99
Receptions: 4 vs. Northwestern, 10/3/98
Receiving Yards: 71 at Louisville, 9/18/99
Long catch: 67 at Louisville, 9/18/99
Touchdowns: 3 vs. MTSU, 9/12/98

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
1998	11	134	634	4.7	57.6	6	48
1999	12	143	774	5.4	64.5	7	54
2000	11	123	683	5.6	62.1	3	62
Total	34	400	2091	5.2	61.5	14	62

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
1998	11	10	24	2.4	2.2	1	12
1999	12	16	243	16.8	22.0	2	67
2000	11	17	91	5.4	8.3	0	19
Total	34	43	358	8.3	10.5	3	67

KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
1998	11	16	406	25.4	0	77
1999	12	11	193	17.5	0	28
2000	11	8	139	17.4	0	25
Total	34	35	738	21.0	0	77

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
1998	11	12	52	4.3	0	18



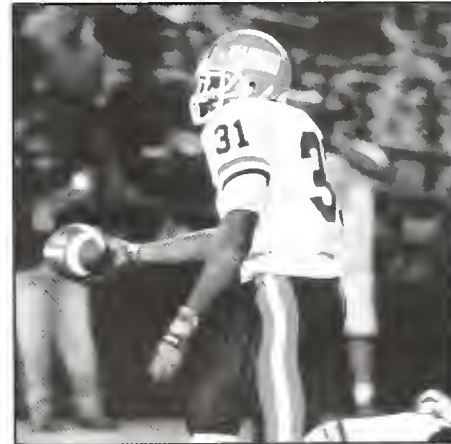
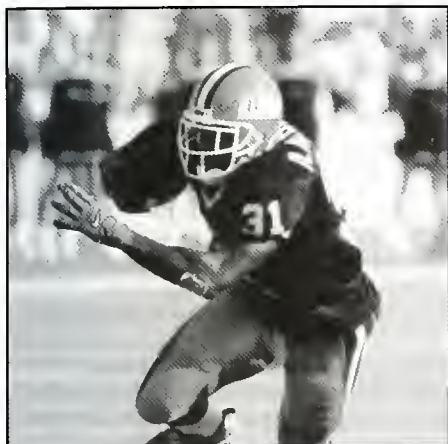
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ANTOINEO HARRIS

HB, 6-1, 222, Jr.
Bolingbrook, Ill.
Bolingbrook H.S.

all-big ten candidate



2000 HIGHLIGHTS

Played in all 11 games, while leading the team in rushing ... Part of the two-headed tailback tandem with Rocky Harvey, combining for over 1,500 yards rushing ... Duo became the first in schools history to rush for over 100 yards apiece in back-to-back games ... Totaled 772 rushing yards and scored seven touchdowns ... Ranked first on the team in scoring with 42 points ... Scored three touchdowns en route to 117 yards rushing ... Rushed for a career-high 128 yards against Middle Tennessee and one touchdown ... Rushed for 123 yards at Michigan State ... Tallied a career-high 31 carries vs. the Spartans ... Registered 93 rushing yards and a touchdown against Ohio State ... Had 83 yards rushing in win over California ... Had a career-long rush of 36 yards in season opener vs. Middle Tennessee ... Also caught three passes for 27 yards.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS

Provided depth at halfback position ... Strong runner who made impact in limited playing time ... Rushed for career-high 65 yards against Louisville, including a 47-yard run that set up an Illini touchdown ... Scored first collegiate touchdown on 11-yard run against Indiana ... Carried 37 times for 214 yards during season ... Average yards per carry of 5.4 was team high among tailbacks ... Set career-high with 11 rushes against Indiana ... A key special teamer, who caused a Ken-Yon Rambo fumble on the 2 yard line to set up a touchdown against Ohio State.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS

Enrolled at University of Illinois, sitting out the season to meet academic requirements.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Played tailback at Bolingbrook High School ... Rushed for 2,274 yards and 33 touchdowns in 1996 and 1,549 yards and 17 touchdowns in 1997 ... Set school career record with 4,410 yards and 60 touchdowns ... Rushed for 355 yards and five touchdowns on 20 carries in one game ... Named to USA Today All-star team, along with two-time selection to Collegiate Football Experts All-American and Gridiron Greats All-American Super Squad ... Named one of top five backs in the country by USA Today ... A two-time all-state selection by the *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Chicago Tribune* and *Champaign News-Gazette* ... Selected to Tom Lemming's Top 100 list as the 85th best prospect in the nation ... A

two-time all-region Midwest and all-city pick, along with all-area honors from the *Joliet Herald-News*, *The Sun* and *Suburban Life* ... A two-time SICA Gray league MVP ... Helped Bolingbrook to 10-2 mark in 1995, winning SICA Gray conference title and reached quarterfinals of IHSA Class 5A playoffs ... In 1996, Bolingbrook was 10-1, winning league title and advancing to second round of playoffs ... In 1997, Bolingbrook posted 7-3 record and won third consecutive league title ... High school coaches were Phil Acton and Bob Corra.

PERSONAL

Full given name is Antoineo Harris ... Nickname is Tony ... Born July 17, 1979 in Chicago ... Won state eighth grade wrestling title at 155 pounds with 35-0 record ... Went to state tournament in high school wrestling with a 21-3 record ... Involved in peer meditation and peer leader at Bolingbrook ... Lists Dick Butkus as his childhood Illini hero ... Names scoring his first touchdown with the Bellwood Spartans in Park District football and rushing for over 2,000 yards as a high school junior as his most memorable moments in sports ... Parents are Calvin Johnson, a political consultant, and Delores Harris, a beautician ... Intends to major in business and one day would like to own a business ... Enjoys fishing, music, video games and reading ... Lists NFL greats Barry Sanders, Eric Dickerson, Walter Payton, Jim Brown and Dick Butkus as his favorite athletes ... Past summer jobs include caddy at Cog Hill Country Club and telemarketing.

CAREER HIGHS

Yards: 128 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/2/00
Attempts: 31 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
Touchdowns: 3 at San Diego State, 9/9/00
Long Run: 47 at Louisville, 9/18/99

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
1999	12	37	214	5.4	17.8	1	47
2000	11	192	772	4.0	70.2	7	36
Total	23	229	986	4.3	42.8	8	47

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MUHAMMAD ABDULLAH

S, 6-1, 202, Sr.
Barnegat, N.J.
Southern Regional H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Started all 11 games at free safety for the Illini ... Totaled a career-high 12 tackles against Michigan ... Ranked 13th in the Big Ten in total tackles ... Registered 11 tackles at Northwestern ... Had eight solo tackles vs. Ohio

State ... Recorded tackles for loss in two games at Minnesota and vs. Indiana ... Ranked third on the team in total tackles with 90, leading the secondary ... Stopped a driving Minnesota offense with a forced fumble inside Gopher red-zone ... Recovered a fumble in the Illini's blanking of Iowa, 31-0.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Started all 12 games at free safety... Ranked third on the team in tackles with 79 ... Led team with five interceptions which ranked fifth in the Big Ten ... Recorded fifth interception of the season and returned for 21 yards in the Illini's rout of Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Also led the team with seven tackles and two passes broken up in bowl game ... Set new single-game career high for tackles with 11 vs. Iowa ... Also set single-game career high for solo stops with 10 vs. Iowa ... Made seven tackles and recovered two fumbles against Northwestern ... His five picks were the most by an Illini since 1996 ... Recovered a team-high four fumbles ... Had 10 total tackles in the Illini's win over No. 9 Michigan ... Returned an interception of Louisville's Chris Redmon 31 yards in the Illini's win over the Cardinals ... Recovered fumbles in three games, one each vs. Michigan State and Penn State, and two vs. Northwestern.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in all 11 games as a true freshman at free safety and on special teams, starting four games after an injury to starter Mike Gusich ... Made 26 tackles, including 15 solos with one interception and one fumble recovery ... Made career-high 10 tackles with seven solo stops vs. Wisconsin ... Made seven stops at Northwestern with five solo tackles and a touchdown-saving interception, returning it 18 yards ... Added six tackles with four solos vs. Iowa and Ohio State ... Also made four tackles vs. Louisville and Purdue, adding a fumble recovery vs. Boilermakers.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Played tailback on offense and strong safety on defense at Southern Regional High School in Manahawkin, N.J. ... High school head coach was Larry Sheehan ... Set school career rushing record with 2,055 yards and single-season mark with

1,304 yards in 1997 ... Also owns single-season TD mark with 12 in both 1996 and 1997 ... Rushed for 239 yards in one game in 1997 and scored five touchdowns in a game in 1996 ... On defense, made 138 career tackles with four interceptions, seven forced fumbles, 10 knockdowns and two sacks ... A two-time A-South Conference selection ... A State Super 100 team pick, also earned All-Shore Region Conference, All-Ocean County team, All South of the Border and All-Ocean County team honors ... Earned 10 varsity letters in high school, including three in football, three in wrestling and four in track and field ... In wrestling, named Most Improved as a frosh, won 160-pound class at North Bergen JV Championships as a sophomore, and helped lead squad to state championship in 1997 ... Competed in long jump in track and placed second place in the county meet

PERSONAL: Full given name is Muhammad Qasim Abdullah ... Born Nov. 16, 1979 in Jersey City, N.J. ... Served as school representative to County Youth Human Relations Commission for three years, a peer leader for two years, school representative to Teen Leadership Institute in 1997 and was a member of the National Art Honor Society ... Most memorable sports moments were scoring five touchdowns in 1996 game, breaking the 1,000-yard rushing mark in 1997, making 14 tackles in one game in 1997 and winning the state team championship in wrestling in 1997 ... His uncle, Charles Mays, was a member of the 1968 and 1972 United States Olympic Track and Field squads ... His father, Ibrahim, is in management at Bell Atlantic and his mother, Bahiyyah is Director of Marketing and Membership with the Ocean County Girl Scout Council ... Majoring in Business ... Enjoys video games, drawing and being with friends ... Favorite athlete is Barry Sanders ... Past summer jobs include groundskeeper at Six Flags Great Adventure and cashier at McDonald's.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 12 vs. Michigan, 9/23/00
Solos: 10 at Iowa 11/6/99
Interceptions: 1 six times, last time vs. UVA, 12/30/99
PBU: 2, at Louisville, 9/18/99
Fumbles Recovered: 2, vs. Northwestern, 11/20/99
TFL: 1 four times, last vs. Indiana 11/4/00

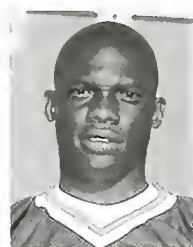
DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	INT- YDS
1998	11	15	11	26	0-0	0-0	1-18
1999	12	58	21	79	2-5	0-0	5-52
2000	11	56	34	90	2-6	0-0	0-0
Total	34	129	66	195	4-11	0-0	6-70

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NANA AGYEMAN

CB, 6-3, 190, So.
Itasca, Ill.
Lake Park H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in 10 games at cornerback as a true-freshman for the Illini ... Recorded stats in one game only, vs. Middle Tennessee registering two tackles and an interception and return for 55 yards ... Also had a pass

deflection against the Blue Raiders ... Was moved from receiver to cornerback in rookie camp.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Rushed for 223 yards and had four touchdowns, also threw for one touchdown his senior year ... Named to the Arlington Heights Daily Herald all-area team ... High school coach was Andy Livingston ... A Champaign News-Gazette special mention ... Earned unanimous all-conference honors ... Carried the ball 110 times for 672 yards and seven touchdowns as a junior ... A member of the Lake Park varsity basketball team.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Nana O. Agyeman ... Born on Oct. 17, 1981 in East Point, Ga. ... The son of Lloyd and Juaben B. Agyeman ... The name "Nana" means "born on Thursday" ... Family migrated to the United States from Ghana ... Has two brothers and two sisters.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. MT5U, 9/2/00
Solos: 1 vs. MT5U, 9/2/00
Interceptions: 1 vs. MT5U, 9/2/00
PBU: 1 vs. MT5U, 9/2/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	INT- YDS	FF-FR	PBU
2000	10	1	1	2	0-0	1-55	0-0	1

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PATRICK BABCOCK

OL, 6-4, 298, r-Fr.
Stillman Valley, Ill.
Stillman Valley H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 2000 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

Named *Chicago Sun Times* Top-30 area prospects ... Earned All-America honors by Prep Football Report ... Was a

USA Today All-USA Special Mention ... Named to the *Champaign News-Gazette*, *Chicago Tribune* and *Sun Times* all-state team ... High school



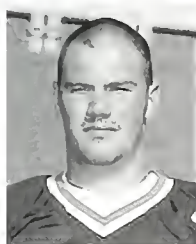
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coach was Mike Lalor ... Earned IHSA Coaches all-state team honors both junior and senior year ... Was a unanimous All-Big Northern Conference selection his sophomore, junior and senior seasons ... Two-time team Most Valuable Player ... Team captain for the 3A state champion Stillman Valley squad ... First-team all-state by the Chicago Sun Times as a sophomore and junior ... Three-time Stillman Valley Most Valuable Offensive Lineman ... Earned 11 varsity letter at Stillman Valley in football, wrestling and track ... Was a heavyweight state champion wrestler ... Holds the school record for most career pins ... State runner-up in the shot put in 1999 ... Was the team MVP in all three sports his junior year.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Patrick Ryan Babcock ... Nickname is "Bucky" ... Was born on Jan. 17, 1982 in Freeport, Ill. ... The son of David and Laura Babcock ... Plans to major in business ... Has a GPA of 3.50, ranking 15th in his class ... Member of the National Honor Society ... Also a member of the student council and sportsmanship committee ... Claims his parents are the biggest influence on his athletic career ... Lists winning the state championship in football as his biggest thrill in sports after making the semifinals his sophomore and junior seasons.

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KENNY BOYLE
TE, 6-5, 249, So.
Chatham, Ill.
Glenwood H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in eight games for the Illini.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

Three-time All-Central State 8 Conference selection ... All-state selection by Chicago Sun-Times, Champaign News-Gazette, IHSA Coaches Association and Chicago Tribune ... Honorable mention selection by USA Today ... Played tight end and middle linebacker at Chatham Glenwood H.S. for Coach Dan Rourke ... Caught 71 passes for 1,236 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior ... Set school records for receptions, yards, and touchdowns in a single season as a senior, breaking his own marks previously set as a junior and as a sophomore ... Helped lead team to 14-0 record and IHSA Class 4A championship during senior season ... Helped lead Glenwood to consecutive Central State 8 conference championships in 1997 and 1998 ... Earned four letters in football, four in basketball, and two in track ... Was first freshman in school history to start as a freshman in football ... Earned all-conference accolades in basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Kenneth Raymond Boyle Jr. ... Nickname is Kenny ... Born Feb. 19, 1981 in Springfield ... Parents are Kenneth Sr. and Jeanne Boyle ... Has four sisters and one brother ... Father, Ken Sr., who passed away in March, was a member of the University of Illinois Board of Trustees from 1989-95 and served as chairman of the board in 1994 ... Member of National Honor Society and named to honor roll ... Involved in Fellowship of Christian Athletes ... Hosted GCNN-23 sports news show ... Intends on majoring in political science and pursuing a career as an attorney ... Favorite athlete is Denver Broncos tight end Shannon Sharpe ... Fighting Illini athletic heroes as a youngster were Howard Griffith and Jeff George ... Lists most memorable sports moment as winning state championship in football as a senior and winning the 8th grade state basketball championship ... Enjoys hunting, fishing, and all sports.

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SEAN BUBIN
OL, 6-7, 302, So.
Rantoul, Ill.
Rantoul HS



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in all 11 games, primarily on special teams ... Lined up for 27 offensive snaps ... Totaled six knock-downs.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: 1997 and 1998 first-team all-state selection by the Chicago Tribune, Illinois High School Coaches Association ... A two-time News-Gazette all-area selection ... Two-time All-Big 12 Conference offensive and defensive line selection ... Named Rantoul MVP as a senior ... Named to Prep Star All-American team ... First-team ESPN All-American Prep squad ... Chicago Sun-Times "Top 100" selection ... Helped lead Rantoul to state playoffs as a senior ... Played offensive line, defensive line and tight end for Coach Terry Workman ... Earned eight varsity letters, including three in football, two in track and three in basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Sean Christopher Bubin ... Born Jan. 26, 1981 in Houston, Texas ... Brother, Aaron, played football at Southern Illinois ... Parents are Barry and Janet Bubin, owners of Miko Restaurant in Champaign ... Major is undecided ... Enjoys drawing and cooking.

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DAN CUTTER
OL, 6-7, 322, Sr.
Tampa, Fla.
Catholic H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in all 11 games, primarily on special teams ... Lined up for 11 offensive snaps ... Tallied six knock-downs.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

A reserve offensive lineman, backed up both tackle positions ... Played in all 12 games on special teams, contributing to the field goal and extra point protection unit ... In on 66 plays, including nine snaps against Iowa and eight in the Illini's win over No. 25 Ohio State ... Field goal unit was 77 percent accurate with no blocks in 26 tries and a touchdown pass on a fake field goal attempt ... PAT team was a perfect 44-of-44 also with no blocked kicks ... Kept Illini kicker Neil Rackers perfect with nine extra point attempts in the Illini's win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in three games as a backup right tackle, appearing vs. Middle Tennessee State, Northwestern and Purdue.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1997 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: A two-time all-county selection ... Earned all-state honors twice ... A two-time All-Suncoast squad selection as well as named all-area by the Tampa Tribune ... A Tampa Tribune "Top 50" recruit and ranked No. 15 on "Best of the Bay Area" Top 20 list ... Played left tackle ... A three-year starter, helping lead Catholic to 20-4 record as a junior and a senior and three consecutive district titles ... High school coach was Bobby Henriquez ... Lettered three years in football, three years in basketball and two years in track ... Earned second-team all-county honors as a junior in basketball and was the district champion in the shot put ... Earned high honor roll honors in junior and senior years ... Helped Tampa Catholic win state championship in basketball as a sophomore.

PERSONAL: Born Nov. 28, 1978 ... Great-great uncle (Edwin Manley) was swimming coach at Illinois from 1912-1952 ... Grandparents, Jack and Marie Gilroy, attended Illinois ... Parents are James and Maura Cutter ... Intends to major in business.

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CAREY DAVIS

FB, 6-0, 218, So.
Florissant, Mo.
Hazelwood Central H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in 10 games getting his first collegiate start against Ohio State ... Totaled 21 rushing yards and 40 receiving yards ... Caught a touchdown pass vs. Indiana ... Had three catches against both Michigan State and

Indiana ... Long catch for the year was 10 yards in games against Middle Tennessee and Indiana ... Also had six kickoff returns for 50 yards ... Returned a long kickoff of 18 yards vs. Indiana ... Had two returns each vs. Indiana and at Northwestern.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: First team All-Suburban North Conference selection on offense and second team on defense as a senior ... Second team all-district and honorable mention all-metro ... Second team all-conference selection as a junior ... Played fullback and middle linebacker at Hazelwood Central H.S. for Coach Norm Ryan ... Rushed for over 1,000 yards during senior season ... Team went 7-3 during both junior and senior seasons ... Played on 1996 state championship team that posted a 13-1 record ... Awarded varsity letters in both football and basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Carey Alexander Davis ... Nickname is Fats ... Born March 27, 1981 in St. Louis, Mo. ... Parents are Carey Davis and Annette Slack ... Has two brothers ... Intends on majoring in psychology and pursuing a career as a social worker ... Named to honor roll in high school ... Favorite athlete is Deion Sanders ... Lists Kendall Gill as Fighting Illini athletic hero ... Enjoys playing football and basketball ... Most memorable sports moment was winning state championship in football during sophomore season ... Awarded game ball in the first football game he ever played ... Junior deacon at his church ... Umpired little league baseball as a past summer job.

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 2 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
Rushing Yards: 12 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
Long Run: 12 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
Receptions: 3 at Mich. St., 10/28/00 & vs. Ind., 11/4/00
Rec. Yards: 20 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
Long Catch: 10 vs. M. Tenn., 9/2/00 & vs. Ind., 11/4/00
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
2000	10	5	21	4.2	2.1	0	12

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
2000	10	7	40	5.7	4.0	1	10

KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
2000	10	6	50	8.3	0	18

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DAVID DIEHL

OL, 6-6, 294, Jr.
Oak Lawn, Ill.
Brother Rice



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in all 11 games, primarily at right guard ... Lined up for 43 offensive snaps ... Totaled 15 knockdowns.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

Added depth to the young offensive line, backing up both guard positions ... Played in six games on special teams, contributing to the field goal and extra point protection unit ... In on 43 plays, including nine snaps against Iowa and eight in the Illini's win over No. 25 Ohio State ... Field goal unit was 76 percent accurate with no blocks in 26 tries and a touchdown pass on a fake field goal attempt ... PAT team was a perfect 44-of-44 also with no blocked kicks ... Kept Illini kicker Neil Rackers perfect with nine extra point attempts in the Illini's win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1998 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Played offensive tackle, offensive guard, defensive tackle and nose tackle at Brother Rice High School ... Earned all-conference honors, named all-region All-Big Ten in National Recruiting Advisor ... Listed as 94th best prospect in Midwest by Super Prep ... G & W Report named Diehl as top lineman in conference ... Top 100 senior pick by Chicago Sun-Times ... Listed as one of top players in Illinois by USA Today ... An all-area second-team pick in the Southtown Economist and Star Newspapers ... Chicago Sun-Times and Chicago Tribune honorable mention all-state selection ... A Prep Star preseason All-American ... Helped team to 5-4 record in Chicago Metro Catholic Conference ... High school coach was Bill Gleeson ... Earned nine varsity letters in high school, including four in football, two in wrestling and three in track.

PERSONAL: Full given name is David Michael Diehl ... Born Sept. 15, 1980 in Chicago ... Earned "B Honors" at Brother Rice ... Served as Eucharistic Minister in Peer Ministry at Brother Rice ... Lists most memorable moment in sports as beating arch-rival Mt. Carmel for the first time in 17 years ... Cousin, Anthony Chabot,

graduated from Illinois ... Lists Dick Butkus as his childhood idol ... Brother, Jerry, was an All-Iowa Conference offensive guard and brother, Jeff, was a two-year letterman in basketball at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa ... Parents are Jerry and Darlene Diehl ... Intends to major in Political Science and would like to pursue a career with the FBI ... Enjoys outdoor activities ... Lists former NBA all-star Charles Barkley as his favorite athlete.

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CHARLES GILSTRAP

DT, 6-3, 270, So.
Columbus, Ohio
St. Francis De Sales H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Named team's Rookie of the Year ... Played in eight games ... Totaled nine tackles for the season ... Posted three tackles against Minnesota ... Had two tackles vs. Iowa and at Northwestern ... Registered a tackle

against Ohio State and at Penn State.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: First-team All-Ohio District League ... Earned first-team all-state honors by the Associated Press as a senior ... Recorded 52 tackles, eight sacks and one fumble recovery ... First-team All-Central Catholic League ... Named to the Suburban News Super 25 list ... Earned Columbus Dispatch Agonis all-metro honors ... Helped lead St. Francis DeSales High School to consecutive state titles in 1997 and '98 ... Named to the Super 25 All-Ohio team ... Selected to play in the Ohio North/South All-State game and Big 33 Ohio/Pennsylvania game ... All-district heavyweight wrestler ... Earned five varsity letters in football and wrestling.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Charles Arthur Gilstrap ... Born on Sept. 11, 1981 in Youngstown, Ohio ... The son of William and Anne Gilstrap ... Claims his father has had the biggest influence on his athletic career ... Favorite athlete is Michael Jordan ... Past summer jobs include working for the Columbus Dispatch ... Hobbies include video games and computers.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
Solo Tackles: 2 at Minnesota, 9/30/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	FF- FR
2000	8	4	5	9	0-0	0-0	0-0

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AARON HODGES

OL, 6-5, 276, So.
Country Club Hills, Ill.
Rich Central H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in four games at guard on special teams totaling 62 offensive snaps ... Tallied 10 knock-downs.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Two-time SICA Green all-conference selection ... Star Newspaper all-area and offensive player-of-the-year ... Daily Southtown all-area selection ... Chicago Sun-Times Super 25 pick ... All-state selection by Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times, Champaign News-Gazette, and IHSA football coaches ... Best-in-the-Midwest selection by Detroit Free-Press ... Honorable mention All-American by USA Today ... Chicago Sun-Times "Top 100" selection ... Played offensive guard and tackle and defensive tackle and end at Rich Central H.S. for Coach Jon McLaughlin ... Earned three letters in football and two in track ... Helped lead blocking for teammate John Stewart when he rushed for an astounding 422 yards in one game.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Aaron Michael Hodges ... Nickname is A-Train ... Born June 30, 1981 in Harvey, Ill. ... Parents are Alan and Jacqueline Hodges ... Has one brother, Brian, who plays tight end for the Fighting Illini ... Four uncles played college football ... Named to honor roll 11 times in high school ... Intends on majoring in sports management and pursuing a career as a college football coach or athletic director ... Favorite athlete is Minnesota Vikings star defensive lineman John Randle ... Lists Fighting Illini athletic hero as Dana Howard ... Enjoys playing video games ... Played the piano for six years ... Worked as a counselor at day camp as a past summer job.

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BRIAN HODGES

TE, 6-4, 262, Sr.
Country Club Hills, Ill.
Rich Central H.S.

2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Split time at tight end, playing in all 11 games ... Caught eight passes for 69 yards and two touchdowns ... Hauled in two catches for 19 yards and a touchdown against San Diego State ... Had another two catches for 22 yards and a TD in shutout win over Iowa ... Caught one pass for eight yards at Minnesota ... Had one catch for 14 yards against Michigan.



on five-yard pass from Kurt Kittner in opening game against Arkansas State for the first Illinois score of the season ... Caught an 18-yard pass in the Illini's win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Set career-high in receiving yards with 30 at Michigan ... Set career-high in receptions with two against San Diego State and Michigan.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Started all 11 games at tight end, catching seven passes for 53 yards ... Caught passes in five games ... Career-high two catches for 20 yards, including a 13-yard reception vs. Middle Tennessee ... Also caught passes vs. Washington State, Northwestern, Indiana and Michigan State.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1997 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Named All-S.I.C.A. Green as an outside linebacker and special mention as a quarterback ... Earned all-area honorable mention honors as an outside linebacker ... Threw for 900 yards as senior and rushed for seven touchdowns ... Played quarterback, tight end and linebacker ... Earned two letters in football, three in basketball and three in track ... Earned Bronze Honor Roll accolades 10 times ... High school coach Jon McLaughlin.

PERSONAL: Born May 15, 1979 ... Most memorable moment in sports was hitting a last second shot to win a conference basketball game that helped Rich Central win the conference title ... Lists Jeff George as his Fighting Illini athletic hero ... Uncles (Clyde, Leonard, Mark and David Kenebrew) all played college football ... Parents are Alan and Jacqueline Hodges ... Intends to major in computer engineering with a career goal of becoming a computer programmer.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 2, four times (last time vs. Iowa, 10/14/00)
Yards: 30 vs. Michigan, 10/23/99
TD: 1, four times (last time vs. Iowa, 10/14/00)
Long Catch: 27 at Michigan, 10/23/99

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
1998	11	7	53	7.6	4.8	0	13
1999	12	9	106	11.8	8.8	2	27
2000	11	8	69	8.6	6.2	2	21
Total	34	24	228	9.5	6.7	4	27

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LAMONT HOLDEN

DE, 6-4, 210, r-Fr
Buffalo Grove, Ill.
Stevenson H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 2000 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

Led the North Suburban Conference in sacks with 10 while also registering 76 tackles his senior year ... Named to

the Arlington Heights Daily Herald all-area team ... Also had 19 receptions for 310 yards and two touchdowns, averaging 16 yards per catch as a tight end ... Earned All-North Suburban Conference honors and was a 1999 Coca-Cola all-area selection ... Named to the Chicago Sun-Times all-area team ... Five-time letterwinner at Stevenson High School in football and basketball ... Averaged 7.6 rebounds a game ... Moved to Stevenson his junior year after playing for two years at Miffin High School in Columbus, Ohio.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Alexis Lamont Holden ... Born on July 23, 1982 in Lawrence, Kan. ... Nickname is "Leroy" ... The son of Renwick Atkins and Shyra Holden ... Father played one year with the Detroit Lions after a college career at Kansas ... Mother was a four-year varsity letterwinner in basketball at Kansas and played two years on the Brazilian National Basketball team ... Won the Women's Teapout Society Poetry contest in Columbus, Ohio in 1997 ... Was a member of "Snowball" a youth substance abuse prevention organization and "Odyssey" a fine arts festival ... Represented Stevenson High School at the 1999 North Suburb History Fair ... Plans to pursue a career as a teacher/coach ... Says his mother has been his biggest influence on his athletic career ... Hobbies include writing poetry, basketball and listening to music.

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ANTHONY HURD

CB, 5-10, 189, Sr.
New Orleans, La.
St. Augustine H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in eight games, starting two for the Illini ... Totaled nine tackles and a tackle for loss ... Tied a career-high with three tackles against Michigan ... Recorded a tackle and a tackle for loss at San Diego State ... Had

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two tackles against Iowa and at Minnesota ... Was hampered by groin and hamstring injuries throughout the season.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in five games primarily on the field goal protection unit.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in all 11 games, starting three at cornerback with 12 tackles, including six solos, one interception and five passes broken up ... Made starts vs. Louisville, Purdue and Indiana ... In first college start vs. Louisville, made seven tackles with six solos with one interception and one pass broken up ... Made three tackles with two solos at Purdue ... Broke up two passes at Penn State ... Made two stops vs. Middle Tennessee, Ohio State and Indiana.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS: Missed the entire season as a medical redshirt after tearing his ACL in fall camp.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Earned All-10-5A Conference honors ... Earned all-district honors in football and track and All-America prep honors in track as determined by National Scholastic ... Played cornerback, strong safety and free safety ... Helped lead St. Augustine to 1995 Louisiana state runner-up finish and 11-2 overall record as a senior ... Earned three letters in football and track ... High school coach was Anthony Biagis ... Earned honor roll honors at St. Augustine as a sophomore.

PERSONAL: Born Feb. 22, 1979 ... Nickname is Ace ... Most memorable moments in sports were scoring five runs in one Little League game and earning All-America honors in track ... Parents are Tony and Cassandra Hurd ... Has four brothers ... Intends to major in business and would like a future career in marketing or management ... Enjoys art, drawing and music ... Lists favorite athletes as Barry Sanders and Deion Sanders.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 vs. Louisville, 9/19/98
Solo Tackles: 6 vs. Louisville, 9/19/98
PBU: 2 at Penn State, 10/31/98
Interception: 1 vs. Louisville, 9/19/98

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FUM
1998	11	6	6	12	0-0	1-0	5
1999	12	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
2000	8	8	1	9	1-6	0-0	0
Total	31	14	7	21	1-6	1-0	5

1 **MARC JACKSON**
S, 6-1, 201, Jr.
Corvallis, Ore.
Crescent Valley H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in all 11 games, starting two against Ohio State and Northwestern ... Two starts came at cornerback ... Had a career-high 11 total tackles, including nine solo vs. the Buckeyes ... Registered 52 tackles for the season and three pass deflections ... Recorded seven tackles in shutout over Iowa ... Had only tackle for loss and two passes broken up against Ohio State ... Posted six tackles in games against Middle Tennessee, Indiana and Northwestern.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in 11 games ... Reserve defensive back totaled 11 tackles ... Recorded two passes broken up and one forced fumble ... Key contributor on special teams ... Issued three solo tackles against Michigan State ... Blocked punt in first collegiate game and season-opening win against Arkansas State ... Blocked second punt of the season in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Mironpc.com Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: First-team All-Valley League at free safety and two-time selection at punt returner ... Named All-American by Gridiron Great, Super Prep, Prep Star, National Recruiting Advisor, and Student Sports ... Chicago Sun-Times "Top 100" selection ... Played free safety, running back, and wide receiver in addition to returning punts and kickoffs for Crescent Valley High School under Coach Mike Fagan ... Earned three letters in football, two in basketball, and four in track ... Was a member of Crescent Valley's 4x100 relay state championship teams in 1997 and '98.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Marc Elliott Jackson ... Born May 20, 1981 in Harvey, Ill. ... Parents are Robert and JoAnn Jackson ... Father, Robert, is receivers coach at Illinois ... Has one brother, Bobby, who is the starting strong safety for the Illini ... Favorite athlete is former Heisman Trophy winner and current Oakland Raider cornerback Charles Woodson ... Intends on pursuing a professional football career and running his own business ... Enjoys video games, listening to music, playing other sports, and meeting people ... Currently undecided on a major.

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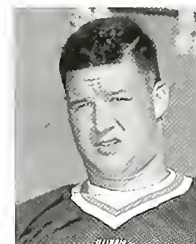
Tackles: 11 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Solo Tackles: 9 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Tackle for loss: 1 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
PBU: 2 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Blocked Punt: 1 vs. Ark. St., 9/4/99 & vs. UVA, 12/30/99

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	FF-FR	KICK	PBU
1999	11	9	2	11	0-0	1-0	2	2
2000	11	41	11	52	1-5	0-0	0	3
Total	22	50	13	63	1-5	1-0	2	5

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BRETT KAUTTER
DT, 6-3, 257, Jr.
Harrisburg, Pa.
Central Dauphin H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in all 11 games ... Totaled 13 tackles, three tackles for loss, a sack and a fumble recovery ... Tied a career-high with three tackles at San Diego State and vs. California ... Registered tackles for loss in the same games as well

as in the Illini's shutout win over Iowa ... Recovered a fumble at Penn State.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Reserve defensive tackle seeing action in five games ... Totaled three tackles against Ohio State ... Registered seven tackles (five solos) during season ... Recorded one tackle for loss on a sack against Arkansas State.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1998 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Earned three letters in football as an offensive and defensive tackle at Central Dauphin ... A first-team all-state selection, also earned all-area and All-Mid-Penn 1 offensive and defensive honors ... Named all-area Defensive Player of the Year ... Helped lead Central Dauphin to District III title and runner-up finish in state playoffs ... Recorded 15.5 QB sacks as a senior ... High school coach was George Chaump ... Earned four varsity letters, three in football and one in basketball.

PERSONAL: Enrolled in College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ... Undecided on college major ... Parents are John and Shirley Kautter.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3, three times (last time vs. California, 9/16/00)
Solos: 2, twice (last time vs. California, 9/16/00)
TFL: 1, four times (last time vs. Iowa, 10/14/00)
Sacks: 1, twice (last time vs. Iowa, 10/14/00)

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	SACK-YDS	QH	FF-FR
1999	6	5	2	7	1-8	1-8	1	0-0
2000	11	7	6	13	3-11	1-7	0	0-1
Total	17	12	8	20	4-19	2-15	1	0-1



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JAY KULAGA
OG, 6-5, 306, Sr.
Seminole, Fla.
Seminole



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Started in all 11 games and has started 23 consecutive games at left guard for the Illini ... O-line was rated among the top-10 in many preseason publications ... Tallied 67 knock-downs ... Was in on 537 offensive snaps ... Line

held the San Diego State defense without a sack and allowed only 20 sacks in 361 pass plays all season for an average of one sack every 18.1 pass attempts ... Helped lead offense to second consecutive 2,000 yard passing season and over 1,700 rushing yards for the second straight year, something that hasn't been accomplished by Illini teams since the 1989 and '90 seasons.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Started all 12 games at left guard ... Helped lead young offensive line that showed improvement each week ... Assisted the Illini in its campaign to become the highest scoring offense in school history ... Helped hold four defenses sackless (Michigan, Ohio State, Iowa, and Northwestern) ... Allowed the Illini to rush for 2,082 yards (5th in the Big Ten) and pass for 2,805 (3rd in the conference) ... Helped boost the Illini's 611 total offense yards in the 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Played in 94 plays against Michigan State and over 80 snaps vs. Ohio State, Iowa and Indiana ... Totaled 45 knockdowns on the season.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in nine games, earning his first varsity letter, as a backup offensive guard and on special teams.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirt season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Earned All-Pinellas County Athletic Conference honors as a junior ... Earned second-team all-district honors as an offensive lineman as a junior ... Played offensive tackle and nose guard ... High school coach was Sam Roper ... Earned three letters in football, three letters in basketball and three letters in track ... Led basketball team in rebounding and earned Christmas tournament all-tourney honors as a junior ... Won the conference meet in the shot put and discus as a sophomore ... Won regional shot put title as a junior and was a state finalist ... Best throw in the shot put is 55-feet-1/2-inches and 150 feet in discus ... Dean's List student throughout his high school academic career ... Named Seminole "Student of the Month" in December 1996 ... Member of the Varsity Letterman's Club.

PERSONAL: Born on May 25, 1978 ... Given

name is John Kulaga, but goes by Jay ... Nickname is Big Poppa ... Lists winning the Florida Class 6A regional shot put title as his biggest sports thrill ... Parents are Jack and Christine Kulaga ... Favorite athlete is Michael Johnson.

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CARLOS LATTIMORE
FB, 6-1, 215, Jr.
Peoria, Ill.
Peoria H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Moved from safety to full-back and played in 10 game for the Illini ... Carried the ball nine times for 43 yards and a touchdown ... Had a career-high six carries for 30 yards in win over Iowa ... Scored first collegiate touchdown at San Diego State, while

rushing for 13 yards ... Played on the kickoff return unit, registering four tackles on special teams.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Reserve safety played in 11 games ... Registered four tackles ... Recorded fumble at Iowa ... Played on kickoff and kick return special teams.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Enrolled at the University of Illinois, but sat out season to concentrate on academic interests.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: A two-year all-state selection in football and track at Peoria, winning the 1997 IHSA state discus title ... Also placed in top eight in shot put ... A three-year all-area pick in football, earning four letters in football as a halfback and defensive back ... Earned 11 varsity letters at Peoria, four in football and track and three in basketball ... Earned All-Midstate 6 honors as a junior and senior ... Helped lead Peoria to state playoffs twice ... High school coach was Larry Lavery.

PERSONAL: Nickname is Los ... Born Dec. 15, 1978 in Peoria ... Full given name is Carlos Lashun Lattimore ... Enrolled in Liberal Arts and Sciences ... Parents are Don Lattimore, a fitness trainer, and Evelyn Smallwood ... Has seven brothers and six sisters ... Enjoys fishing

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 6 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Yards: 30 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Touchdowns: 1 at San Diego State, 9/9/00
Long Play: 13 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
2000	10	9	43	4.8	4.3	1	13

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	FF-FR	TFL-YDS	PBU
1999	10	2	2	4	0-1	0-0	0
2000	10	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0
Total	20	3	5	8	0-1	0-0	0

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GREG LEWIS
WR, 6-0, 184, Jr.
Matteson, Ill.
Rich South H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Started all 11 games for the Illini at flanker ... Ranked first on the team in receiving with 544 total yards and scored six touchdowns, which ranks fifth in the Illinois record books for single season touchdown receptions ...

Also tied school record with three touchdown catches against Middle Tennessee ... Posted first career 100-yard game against Michigan with 107 yards on four catches ... Registered five catches over 30 yards, including a career-long 55-yarder at Penn State ... Averaged 13.6 yards per catch ... Ranked xxth on the team in scoring with 36 points ... Had a career-high six catches for 90 yards against Indiana and six receptions for 89 yards and two touchdowns at Penn State ... Scored one touchdown, while pulling in four receptions for 42 yards against San Diego State ... Also hauled in six catches at Minnesota.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Started five games at flanker ... Totaled 12 receptions for 149 yards and one touchdown, averaging 12.4 yards a catch ... Caught career-high three passes against Arkansas State and Michigan State ... Caught a 54-yard touchdown pass from Kurt Kittner against San Diego State for first collegiate TD.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Enrolled at the University of Illinois, but was not a member of the football squad.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Caught 56 passes for 880 yards and 13 touchdowns during senior season ... An all-conference, all-area, and all-state selection by Chicago Tribune ... Registered six interceptions during junior season ... Earned three letters in both football and basketball ... Starting point guard on 1997 basketball team that reached "Sweet Sixteen" of IHSA tournament ... High school coach was Rich Murphy.

PERSONAL: Nickname is Foots ... Born Feb. 12, 1980 in Chicago ... Full given name is Gregory Alan Lewis Jr. ... Majoring in mathematics and aspires to teach math and coach after graduation ... Parents are Gregory Sr., a credit analyst, and Willie Ann, a teacher ... Has one sister.

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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6, three times
Yards: 107 vs. Michigan, 9/23/00
Touchdowns: 3 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/2/00
Long Play: 55 at Penn State, 10/21/00

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
1999	10	12	149	12.4	14.9	1	54
2000	11	40	544	13.6	49.5	6	55
Total	21	52	693	13.3	33.0	7	55

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BRANDON LLOYD

WR, 6-2, 184, So.
Blue Springs, Mo.
Blue Springs H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Took a medical redshirt in 2000, after suffering a broken femur.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Emerged as deep threat on offense and began returning kicks five games into the season... Started

seven games at flanker ... Set new freshman season receiving yardage record with 511 yards ... Burst onto scene with 49-yard catch in opening game vs. Arkansas State ... Caught first collegiate touchdown pass, a 49-yarder, at Louisville ... Compiled 171 kickoff return yards on 10 returns for a 17.1 average ... Totaled 84 yards on five kick returns against Minnesota, including a game-high 41 yarder ... Set career high with six catches for 103 yards at Iowa ... Made a juggling 30-yard TD catch at Ohio State ... Threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to quarterback Kurt Kittner in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Also had three catches for 57 yards, including a 39-yarder in bowl win ... Ranked second on team in receiving yards and third in receptions ... Caught eight passes over 30-yards ... Was named the University of Illinois Male Newcomer of the Year at the annual Scholar-Athlete banquet for his contribution to Illinois athletics on the football field and track ... Finished third in both the high jump and 60-meter hurdles at the Big Ten Indoor Championships earning the team 12 points and helping the squad to a second-place conference finish.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Three-time All-Suburban Big 8 conference selection ... First-team all-region pick by Mo-Kan Magazine ... All-state selection by St. Louis Post-Dispatch ... Played cornerback, wide receiver, kicker, and punter at Blue Springs H.S. under Coach Bob Beatty ... Intercepted six passes and returned one for a touchdown at cornerback ... Caught 23 passes for 442 yards and 6 TD's as a receiver ... Team went 10-0 two consecutive seasons ... Earned three letters in football, four in track, and one in basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Brandon Mathew Lloyd ... Born July 5, 1981 in Kansas City, Mo. ... Parents are James and Shirley Lloyd ... Youngest of seven children ... Has three brothers and three sisters ... Favorite athlete is cornerback Deion Sanders ... Lists Robert Holcombe as Fighting Illini athletic hero ... Intends on majoring in broadcast journalism and wants to be a broadcaster on ESPN ... Enjoys playing video games.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6 at Iowa, 11/6/99
Yards: 103 at Iowa, 11/6/99
Touchdowns: 1 at Louisville, 9/18/99 & at OSU, 11/13/99
Long Play: 49 vs. ASU, 9/4/99 & at Louisville, 9/18/99
KO Ret.: 41 yards vs. Minnesota, 10/16/99

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
1999	12	30	511	17.0	42.6	2	49

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	AVG	Y/PG	TD	LP
1999	12	2	35	17.5	2.9	0	29

KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
1999	12	10	171	17.1	0	41

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
1999	12	4	65	16.3	0	35

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ROBBY LONG

DE, 6-3, 246, Sr.
Champaign, Ill.
Centennial H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in nine games at defensive end ... Totaled two tackles, one tackle for loss and one sack ... Registered a tackle each in games against Middle Tennessee and vs. Ohio State ... Posted a sack against Middle Tennessee.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Reserve defensive end saw action in 10 games ... Made three tackles, including one for loss ... Recorded tackle for loss against Indiana ... Had tackles against Arkansas State, San Diego State and Indiana.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Appeared in five games, making two tackles, including one QB sack vs. Middle Tennessee ... Also played as a backup defensive end vs. Iowa, Ohio State, Wisconsin and Purdue.

1997 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirt season, moved from linebacker to fullback to tight end to defensive end.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Earned All-Big 12

honors three times as a tight end and twice as a defensive end ... Named all-area twice and earned all-state honors as a tight end in 1995 ... Played tight end and defensive end ... Made 41 catches for 678 yards and 12 touchdowns in his career, along with 75 tackles and seven sacks ... Made 27 tackles in just four games in 1996 ... Missed seven games in 1996 due to injury ... Helped Chargers to two Big 12 Conference titles (1994 & 1995) and two state playoff appearances ... Three-year varsity team record was 18-11 ... High school coach was Craig Bundy ... Earned three letters in football, two in basketball and one in track ... Member of the National Honor Society and Centennial 4.00-4.99 GPA honor roll.

PERSONAL: Lists most memorable sports moment as playing against No. 1-ranked Providence in 1995 IHSA football playoffs ... Both of his parents attended the University of Illinois ... Lists Stephen Bardo as his Fighting Illini hero as a youngster ... Uncle played baseball and swam at Minnesota ... Parents are Robert and Yvette Long ... Would like to become an athletic director at a major college ... Past summer jobs include working at hardware store and at UI Veterinary Medicine Large Animal Clinic.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. MTSU, 9/12/98
Sack: 1 vs. MTSU, 9/12/98

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- SACKS-FUM.-		
					YDS	YDS	YDS
1998	5	1	1	2	1-8	1-8	0-0
1999	10	2	1	3	1-0	0-0	0-0
2000	9	1	1	2	1-5	1-5	0-0
Total	24	4	3	7	3-13	2-13	0-0

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ERIC MCGOEY

WR, 6-3, 192, So.
Wheaton, Ill.
Wheaton-Warrenville HS



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in 10 games for the Illini ... Totaled 187 receiving yards and two touchdowns ... Had a career-high four catches vs. Michigan for 36 yards and his first collegiate touchdown ... Also caught a 21-yard touchdown pass at Minnesota ... Recorded

three catches for 65 yards in season finale against Northwestern, including a career-long 32 yarder ... Had three catches for 17 yards in win over Indiana ... Caught a 25-yard pass against Ohio State.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1999 season.



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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Unanimous DuPage Valley all-conference selection ... Named to all-area team and Chicago Tribune all-state team. ... Named a "Super Sleeper" signee by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming ... Played wide receiver for IHSA Class 6A state champions and coach John Thorne ... Caught 60 passes during senior season for 1,276 yards and 21 touchdowns ... Team went 14-0 and won DuPage Valley conference championship ... Placed second in conference in catches, yards, and touchdowns ... Played only two seasons of football and won varsity letters each year ... Won two letters in basketball and three in track ... Was an all-conference and all-state selection in track.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Eric Thomas McGoey ... Born April 1, 1981 in Kettering, Ohio ... Parents are Edward and Mary McGoey ... Has two brothers and one sister ... Named to honor roll every semester in high school ... Four-time scholastic achievement award recipient ... Intends on majoring in business and pursuing a career as an investment banker ... Favorite athlete is Michael Jordan ... Lists Red Grange as Fighting Illini athletic hero ... Most memorable athletic moment is scoring four touchdowns in the IHSA Class 6A state championship game ... Hometown of Wheaton, Ill. is known for Red Grange and the most churches per capita in the U.S.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 4 vs. Michigan, 9/23/00
Yards: 65 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Mich., 9/23/00 & at Minn., 9/30/00
Long Play: 32 at Northwestern, 11/18/00

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
2000	10	15	187	12.5	18.7	2	32

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AARON MOOREHEAD
WR, 6-3, 185, Jr.
Deerfield, Ill.
Deerfield H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in 11 games, starting six ... Was the team's second-leading receiver with 520 yards and four touchdowns ... Caught a career-high four passes for 125 yards and two touchdowns, including a 61-yarder in the Illini's win

over Iowa ... Topped the decade mark for the second time with five catches, 103 receiving yards and two touchdowns against Indiana ... Had three catches for 80 yards vs. California ... Hauled in two catches for 61 yards against Michigan ... Caught six passes for 56 yards at Penn State ... Had four catches for 32 yards vs. Ohio State ... Pulled in five catches over 30

yards, including three over 50 yards.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Reserve split end saw action in nine games ... Caught six passes for 85 yards and one touchdown ... Averaged 15 yards per reception ... Caught career-high two passes at Michigan ... Caught 32-yard touchdown pass from Kurt Kittner vs. Minnesota for first collegiate touchdown ... Pulled down a 10-yard reception in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1998 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: An All-Central Suburban League selection as a senior, catching 25 passes for 475 yards and four touchdowns as a senior, averaging 18.9 yards per catch ... Earned all-area honors and was selected to participate in North-South Suburban All-Star game ... High school coach was Jaime Harrington ... Earned six varsity letters at Deerfield, two in football and four in track ... An all-state selection in track, finishing fourth in the 110 meter high hurdles at the IHSA Class AA meet ... Also played basketball for two seasons.

PERSONAL: Enrolled in Liberal Arts and Sciences ... Parents are Emory and Leslee Moorehead ... Father, Emory, played in the NFL for 12 seasons with the Giants, Broncos and Bears ... Cousin, Brad Daugherty, played for the NBA's Cleveland Cavaliers and covers college basketball for ESPN ... Born Nov. 5, 1980 in Aurora, Colo. ... Lists the 49er's Jerry Rice as his favorite athlete because of his work ethic ... Past summer jobs include umpiring and working for Sports Authority ... Would like to coach at the high school or college level ... Lists his father as his biggest influence in athletics ... Full name is Aaron Matthew Moorehead.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6 at Penn State, 10/21/00
Yards: 125 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Long Play: 61 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Touchdowns: 2 vs Iowa, 10/14/00 & Indiana, 11/4/00

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
1999	10	6	85	14.2	8.5	1	32
2000	11	30	520	17.3	47.3	4	61
Total	21	36	605	16.8	28.8	5	61

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CHRISTIAN MORTON
QB, 6-3, 183, So.
St. Louis, Mo.
Riverview Gardens H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Led the team in both kickoff return and punt return yardage ... Played in 10 games for the Illini ... Had 27 kickoff returns for 539 yards and eight punt returns for 195 yards and a touchdown ... Recorded 738 all-purpose yards ...

Returned eight kickoffs for 128 yards at Minnesota ... Had 101 return yards on six kickoffs at Northwestern ... Returned three kickoffs for 94 yards, and a career-long 42-yarder ... Scored an 80-yard touchdown on a punt return vs. Indiana ... Had a 53-yard punt return at Penn State ... Also had one carry for four yards vs. Middle Tennessee.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Enrolled at the University of Illinois, sitting out the season to meet academic requirements.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: USA Today Missouri Player of the Year ... Named St. Louis Post-Dispatch Player of the Year ... Earned all-region, all-metro and all-district honors ... Chicago Sun-Times "Top 100" selection ... Led Riverview Gardens to Missouri Class 5A state championship as a senior, throwing for 2,543 yards as a senior and 4,957 in his career to set Missouri state prep records for Coach Darren Sunkett ... Racked up 40 total touchdowns as a senior, throwing for 26 and running for 14 ... Rushed for 746 yards as a senior ... Led Riverview Gardens to 13-1 record ... Threw for 211 yards, ran for 153 and accounted for four touchdowns in 41-34 state championship title game victory at TWVA Dome ... Threw for 200 or more yards in eight games and ran for 100 or more yards in three games as a senior ... Earned six varsity letters, including three in football and three in basketball ... Also earned all-conference honors in basketball.

PERSONAL: Full name is Christian Morton ... Born April 28, 1981 in St. Louis ... Parents are Craig and Pamela Morton ... Intends to major in Education ... Favorite athlete is former Heisman Trophy winner and current NBA star Charlie Ward ... Brother, Jeff, plays defensive back at Southern Illinois.

CAREER HIGHS

Kickoff Returns: 8 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
Return Yards: 128 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
Long Return: 42 vs. Ohio State, 11/11/00
Punt Returns: 2 at SDSU, 9/9/00 & at Penn St., 10, 21/00
Return Yards: 80 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
Long Return: 80 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00

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PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
2000	8	195	24.4	1	80

KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LP
2000	27	539	20.0	0	42

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TY MYERS
LB, 6-4, 222, So.
Springfield, Ohio
North



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in nine games, primarily on special teams ... Recorded two sacks, one apiece vs. California and Iowa.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS:

Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Two-time Western Ohio League first team selection at defensive back ... Named all-city, all-area, all-county, all-district, and all-region ... An all-state selection by the Springfield News & Sun ... "Fab 22" pick by Springfield News & Sun ... Played linebacker, defensive back, defensive end, quarterback, and wide receiver for Springfield North High School under Coach Brian Blevins ... Accounted for eight touchdowns in one game, throwing four and running for four, during senior season ... Four-time letter winner in football and earned three letters in basketball ... Averaged 13 points and nine rebounds during junior season in basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Tyrone Anthony Myers ... Nickname is Ty ... Born Jan. 13, 1981 in Springfield, Ohio ... Parents are James and Peggy Wagner ... Has one brother and two sisters ... Favorite athlete is cornerback Deion Sanders ... Lists Simeon Rice as Fighting Illini athletic hero growing up ... Cousin, Nick Myers, is a defensive end for Michigan State ... Intends on majoring in telecommunications ... Enjoys weightlifting, video games, and eating.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 1 vs. California, 9/16/00 & vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Solos: 1 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	FF- FR
2000	9	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0

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TONY PASHOS
OT, 6-6, 330, Jr.
Lockport, Ill.
Lockport Township



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Started in all 11 games and has started 23 consecutive games at right tackle for the Illini ... O-line was rated among the top-10 in many preseason publications ... Tallied 60 knock-downs ... Was in on 575 offensive snaps ... Line

held the San Diego State defense without a sack and allowed only 20 sacks in 361 pass plays all season for an average of one sack every 18.1 pass attempts ... Helped lead offense to second consecutive 2,000 yard passing season and over 1,700 rushing yards for the second straight year, something that hasn't been accomplished by Illini teams since the 1989 and '90 seasons.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Started all 12 games at right tackle ... Helped lead young offensive line that showed improvement each game ... Helped hold four defenses sackless (Michigan, Ohio State, Iowa, and Northwestern) ... Allowed the Illini to rush for 2,082 yards (5th in the Big Ten) and pass for 2,805 (3rd in the conference) ... Gave up only 27 sacks all season in 896 plays, an average of once every 34 plays ... Totaled 41 knockdowns for the season ... Played 94 snaps against Michigan State and over 80 plays vs. Ohio State, Iowa and Indiana.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1998 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Played offensive tackle at Lockport Township H.S. ... Helped lead Lockport to 9-2 mark and IHSA Class 6A playoff berth as a senior ... High school coach was Bret Kooi ... Led team in pancake blocks as a senior ... Earned All-SICA Blue honors ... A second-team all-state selection by the Chicago Tribune and first-team all-area by Star and Herald News ... Earned nine varsity letters at Lockport, including four in football, three in track and field and two in power lifting ... Earned MVP honors in Rudy's 1997 Powerlifting meet, breaking meet record for deadlift at 660 pounds and total weight at 1,610 pounds.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Anthony G. Pashos ... Born Aug. 3, 1980 in Palos Heights, Ill. ... An honor roll student ... Lists most memorable moment in sports as winning first round playoff game in 1997, the first playoff game for Lockport since 1985 ... His Fighting Illini hero as a youngster was Dick Butkus ... Parents are Georgios, a steel foreman, and Despina Pashos ... Intends to major in pre-med and become a pediatrician ... Enjoys lifting, running, reading and history ... Favorite athlete is Chicago Bears Hall-of-Famer Walter Payton ... Enjoys greek

mythology, especially about Greek Gods ... Hometown, Lockport, is known for its canals and locks along Chicago Canal and Des Plaines River.

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JEMARI PERRY
DE, 6-4, 210, So.
Maywood, Ill.
Proviso East H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in six games ... Tallied five tackles in rookie season ... Had three tackles against Minnesota and vs. Iowa.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

Named to the Prep Star All-Midwest team ... Earned two letters for Coach David Holmes at Proviso East High School ... Registered 96 tackles and seven sacks during senior season ... Also blocked four field goals and three punts ... Named Chicago Sun Times Top-30 area prospects ... Named all-conference, all-region and second-team all-state ... Posted nine tackles and two sacks, one for a safety in the 1998 state playoffs ... Also earned one letter for Coach Cecil Ratliff's basketball team.

PERSONAL: Jemari Pele' Perry was born on Nov. 24, 1981 in Maywood, Ill. ... The son of Lonzell, Sr. and Mary E. Perry ... Says his brother Lonzell Perry, Jr. has been the biggest influence on his athletic career ... Lists hobbies as lifting weights, studying and working on cars ... Worked as a fork lift operator for Fellows Company during the summers.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
Solo Tackles: 1 at Minnesota, 9/30/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	FUM.
2000	6	1	4	5	0-0	0-0	0

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DWAYNE SMITH
WR, 6-2, 190, So.
Rantoul, Ill.
Rantoul H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Played in seven games for the Illini ... Totaled 146 receiving yards on eighth catches and two TDs ... Caught a career-high eight passes for 83 yards and two touchdowns in season finale at Northwestern ... Hauled in



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four passes for 54 yards, including a career-long 38-yarder at Minnesota ... Had one catch for nine yards vs. Ohio State ... Also tallied three tackles on special teams.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Two-time all-Big 12 Conference selection at wide receiver, also earning all-league honors as a running back as a senior ... Named to Chicago Sun-Times all-state squad ... Was a second-team all-state selection at receiver during junior year ... Tabbed all-region first-team by CNN/SI and All-American by Prep Star magazine ... Versatile athlete played 10 positions at Rantoul H.S. for Coach Terry Workman, including wide receiver, running back, quarterback, tight end, center, linebacker, safety, kicker, punter, and kick returner ... Team reached IHSA playoffs two consecutive seasons ... Started all four years in football ... Earned four varsity letters in football, four in basketball, and four in track ... Holds school record in long jump and 110-meter high hurdles.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Dwayne Lamar Smith ... Nickname is Hollywood ... Born Sept. 8, 1980 in Champaign ... Parents are Lloyd and Donna Smith ... Has one brother and two sisters ... Earned honor roll accolades three years in high school ... Intends to major in business law and pursue a career in business management ... Enjoys television, music and video games ... Past summer jobs include construction and working as a part-time mechanic at father's garage.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 8 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Yards: 83 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Touchdowns: 2 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Long Play: 38 at Minnesota, 9/30/00

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
2000	7	13	146	11.2	20.8	2	38

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DERRICK STRONG
6-4, 215, DE, So.
Chicago, Ill.
Mt. Carmel H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in seven games ... Recorded nine tackles, a sack, two quarterback hurries and a pass deflection ... Posted a career-high six tackles at Northwestern ... Had a tackle, a sack and two quarterback hurries

against Iowa ... Posted two tackles at Minnesota.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Named a Prep Star All-American ... Earned SuperPrep All-Midwest team honors ... Two-time first-team All-Catholic Metro Conference honors ... Named Chicago Sun Times Top-30 area prospects ... Helped lead Mt. Carmel to consecutive SA state championships in 1998-99 ... Earned six varsity letters in football, basketball and volleyball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Derrick C. Strong ... Born on April 16, 1982 in Chicago ... The son of Eric and Valerie Strong ... Father is a Chicago firefighter ... Plans to major in computer science ... An honor roll student at Mt. Carmel high school ... Lists hitting quarterbacks as his biggest thrill in sports.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Solos: 3 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Sacks: 1 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
TFL: 1 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
Quarterback Hurries: 2 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00
PBU: 1 vs. Iowa, 10/14/00

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL- YDS	SACKS- YDS	FUM- YDS	QH
2000	7	3	6	9	1-0	1-0	0-0	2

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JJ TUBBS
K, 5-9, 160, So.
Rock Island, Ill.
Rock Island H.S.



2000 HIGHLIGHTS: Took over as placekicker for the last four games of the season ... Was a perfect 13-for-13 in extra point attempts, including 6-for-6 against Indiana ... Ranked first in the Big Ten in PAT kicking percentage ... Made a 22-yard field

goal at Michigan State ... Totaled 16 points on the season.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: First-team IHSA all-state selection in 1998 as a defensive back and a kicker ... Named to the Champaign News-Gazette Top 100 team both junior and senior seasons ... All-time leading extra point kicker in IHSA history with 150 points ... Holds the Rock Island High School record for longest field goal with his 50-yarder against Bellville West ... Converted on 57 extra points in 1997 for the fourth highest single season performance in IHSA history ... All-time leading extra point and field goal kicker in RIHS history ... Co-captain of football squad during senior season ... Lettered in football, baseball and basketball.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Jeffrey Thomas

Tubbs ... The son of Jeffrey and Dorothy Tubbs ... Born on Nov. 19, 1980 in Rock Island, Ill. ... Majoring in kinesiology ... Graduated 11th in his class with a 3.9 GPA ... National Merit English Award winner and All-American Scholar in 1999 ... Member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Key Club, Junior Rotarian, National Honor Society and Spanish Club in high school.

CAREER HIGHS

PAT made: 6 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
PAT attempted: 6 vs. Indiana, 11/4/00
FG made: 1 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
FG attempted: 1 at Michigan State, 10/28/00
Long FG: 22 yards, at Michigan State, 10/28/00

KICKING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	PAT	FG	-29	30-39	40-49	50+
2000	4	13-13	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0

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DUSTIN WARD
QB, 6-3, 193, So.
Champaign, Ill.
Centennial



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Played in seven games and started in the season finale against Northwestern ... Completed 33-of-62 attempts for 390 yards and four touchdown passes for the season ...

Ranked 10th in the conference in pass efficiency ... Played a majority of the second half against California completing three-of-eight for 39 yards ... Threw his first collegiate touchdown pass at Minnesota and passed for 75 yards on five-of-nine passing ... Was three-of-four for 15 yards and a touchdown vs. Ohio State ... Passed for a career-high 246 yards and two touchdowns against Northwestern ... Had a 14-yard run against the Wildcats.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirted the 1999 season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Champaign News-Gazette "Player of the Year" ... Champaign News-Gazette All-State selection ... Chicago Tribune all-state special mention ... Big 12 all-conference selection ... Guided Centennial to 9-0 conference record and was part of back-to-back Big 12 Conference championships under Coach Mike McDonnell ... Led Centennial to IHSA Class 5A semifinals in 1998 ... Threw for 2,258 yards and 27 touchdowns ... Earned three letters in football.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Dustin William Ward ... Born Jan. 21, 1981 in Urbana ... Parents are Steve and Arleen Ward ... Has one brother and one sister ... Favorite athlete is former NFL quarterback Joe Montana ... Favorite Illini athlete as a youngster was basketball star Kendall Gill ... Most memorable athletic moment was reach-

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ing the semifinals of the IHSA playoffs ...
Currently undecided on a major.

CAREER HIGHS

Yards: 246 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Completions: 20 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Attempts: 37 at Northwestern, 11/18/00
Completion percentage: 54.0 at Northwestern,
11/18/00
Long pass: 38 at Minnesota, 9/30/00
TD passes: 2 at Northwestern, 11/18/00

PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	Int.	LP
2000	7	62	33	53.2	390	4	2	38

RUSHING STATS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	YD/G	TD	LG
2000	7	9	-4	-0.4	-0.6	1	14

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TERRELL WASHINGTON

DE, 6-4, 237, Sr.
St. Louis, Mo.
Hutchinson JC (Kan.)



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Started in all 11 games for the Illini ... Totaled 68 tackles, 17 tackles for loss and eight sacks ... Also had five quarterback hurries, one recovered fumble and a pass deflection ... Ranked fifth on the team in total tackles and second in tackles for loss and sacks ... His 17 tackles for loss are the ninth best in school history for a single season and his eight sacks are ranked eighth ... Ranked fourth in the Big Ten in sacks and tackles for loss ... Registered a tackle for loss in 10 games ... Had a season high nine tackles and two sacks in shutout win over Iowa ... Also posted nine tackles at Northwestern with two tackles for loss ... Had eight tackles, two tackles for a loss of 10 yards and two quarterback hurries at Michigan State ... Registered eight tackles and two for loss in win over California ... Had six solo tackles in games against Michigan and Ohio State.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Reserve defensive end played in 11 games ... Registered two sacks (vs. San Diego State and at Iowa) ... Had a key sack for a loss of seven yards in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia in the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Recorded 22 tackles and five for loss and three sacks ... Had two TFL each vs. San Diego State and Iowa.

JUNIOR COLLEGE/HIGH SCHOOL: An All-Jayhawk Conference selection as a defensive end at Hutchinson Junior College ... Redshirted his true-freshman year at HJC ... A high school All-American, all-conference and all-region pick at Hazelwood Central H.S. ... Made 104 tackles, including 60 solos with 26 tackles for loss

accounting for 118 yards in nine games at Hutchinson Junior College under Coach Dave Wheeler ... Also recorded 12 QB sacks for 75 yards, made one interception, broke up 19 passes, forced four fumbles, recovered a fumble and blocked a kick ... Played defensive end at Hutchinson and defensive end and tight end in high school ... Helped lead Hazelwood Central to state championship ... Also played basketball in high school.

PERSONAL: Full name is Terrell Washington ... Born Sept. 11, 1979 in St. Louis ... Nickname is T-Rex ... Favorite Fighting Illini hero as a youngster was Simeon Rice ... Parents are Roosevelt and Mary Washington ... Has four sisters ... Intends to major in Business Administration ... Would like to run his own business ... Enjoys weight lifting and basketball.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 vs. SDSU, 9/11/99 & vs. Minnesota, 10/16/99
Solos: 2 at Louisville, 9/18/99
Sacks: 1 vs. San Diego State, 9/11/99 & at Iowa, 11/6/99
TFL: 2 vs. San Diego State, 9/11/99 & at Iowa 11/6/99

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-	SACKS-	FUM-	QH
					YDS	YDS	YDS	
1999	11	16	6	22	5-19	3-15	0-0	0
2000	11	38	30	68	16-56	8-39	0-1	5
Total	22	54	36	90	21-75	11-54	0-1	5

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WALTER YOUNG

WR, 6-5, 218, Jr.
Park Forest, Ill.
Rich East



2000 HIGHLIGHTS:

Caught 27 passes for 403 yards, an average of 14.9 yards per reception ... Played in all 11 games, starting seven at split end ... Hauled in six passes for a career-high 127 yards, including a 57-yarder ... Had five catches for 79

yards in season opener against Middle Tennessee ... Caught seven passes for 57 yards at San Diego State ... Pulled in one catch for 15 yards vs. Michigan ... Had 41 receiving yards on two catches against Iowa ... Caught three passes for 40 yards vs. Indiana.

1999 HIGHLIGHTS: Garnered playing time at receiver while also a reserve quarterback ... Caught 13 passes with one touchdown reception ... Caught 31-yard TD pass from Kurt Kittner at Michigan to help lead Illini to amazing comeback win over the ninth-ranked Wolverines at "The Big House" ... Hauled in 31-yard reception in the Illini's 63-21 win over Virginia at the Micronpc.com Bowl ... Recorded highest yards per catch average on team (19.1) ... Caught career long pass of 46 yards and set a career-

high with 62 receiving yards vs. Northwestern ... Averaged 21.3 all-purpose yards a game.

1998 HIGHLIGHTS: Redshirt season.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Played quarterback at Rich East, completing 108 of 180 passes for 2,032 yards and 20 touchdowns with just two interceptions as a senior ... Earned all-state honors as selected by the Illinois High School Football Coaches Association ... Earned all-area and all-SICA Orange honors ... Earned a spot in the 1998 Suburban All-Star Game ... As a basketball player, named to Big Dipper All-Tournament basketball team as a junior and senior ... Led Rich East to 8-2 record and SICA Orange league title ... High school coach was Bob Lombardi ... Earned six varsity letters at Rich East, three in football and three in basketball ... Averaged 17 points and 11 rebounds per game as a junior.

PERSONAL: Full given name is Walter Young, Jr. ... Born Dec. 7, 1979 in Chicago Heights, Ill. ... Most memorable moment in sports was earning MVP honors in Little League baseball title game ... Parents are Walter, a truck driver, and Jacquelyn, an administrator, Young ... Plans to major in business administration and pursue a career in finance ... Enjoys video games ... Left-handed quarterback.

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 7 at San Diego State, 9/9/00
Yards: 127 at Penn State, 10/21/00
Long: 57 at Penn State, 10/21/00
Touchdowns: 1 at Michigan, 10/23/99

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	AVG.	Y/PG	TD	LP
1999	12	14	267	19.1	22.3	1	46
2000	11	27	403	14.9	36.6	0	57
Total	23	41	670	16.3	29.1	1	57



2000 STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS	IL	OPP
Scoring	294	286
Points Per Game	26.7	26.0
First Downs	229	257
Rushing	108	150
Passing	99	94
Penalty	22	13
Rushing Yardage	1790	2558
Yards gained rushing	1992	2880
Yards lost rushing	202	322
Rushing attempts	435	538
Average per rush	4.1	4.8
Average per game	162.7	232.5
TDs rushing	14	26
Passing Yardage	2389	1979
Att-Comp-Int	361-207-10	232-177-12
Average per pass	6.6	6.1
Average per catch	11.5	11.2
Average per game	217.2	179.9
TDs passing	22	8
Total Offense	4179	4537
Total Plays	796	861
Average per play	5.3	5.3
Average per game	379.9	412.5
Kickoff Returns: #-yards	45-782	46-767
Punt Returns: #-yards	22-267	32-199
Int. Returns: #-yards	12-203	10-301
Kickoff Return Average	17.4	16.7
Punt Return Average	12.1	6.2
Int. Return Average	16.9	30.1
Fumbles-Lost	19-12	20-8
Penalties-Yards	45-400	82-734
Average Per Game	36.4	66.7
Punts-Yards	55-2197	54-2136
Average per punt	39.9	39.6
Net Punting Average	36.3	34.6
Time of Possession/Game	28:46	31:14
3rd Down Conversions	82/175	73/169
3rd-Down Pct.	47%	43%
4th-Down Conversions	5/13	8/17
4th-Down Pct.	38%	47%
Sacks by-Yards	18-125	20-91
Misc Yards	48	10
Touchdowns Scored	39	36
Field Goals-Attempts	6-11	12-18
PAT Kicks-Attempts	38-38	30-32
Attendance	335,866	282,200
Games/Avg. Per Game	6-55,978	5/56,440

BY QUARTER	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	TOTAL
Team	45	96	53	100	294
Opponents	69	69	48	100	286

2000 STATISTICS



RUSHING	G	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LNG	AVG/G
Antoineo Harris	11	192	811	39	772	4.0	7	36	70.2
Rocky Harvey	11	123	720	37	683	5.6	3	62	62.1
Jameel Cook	10	49	223	8	215	4.4	0	17	21.5
Kurt Kittner	10	44	151	90	61	1.4	2	13	6.1
Carlos Lattimore	10	9	43	0	43	4.8	1	13	4.3
Carey Davis	10	5	21	0	21	4.2	0	12	2.1
Christian Morton	10	1	4	0	4	4.0	0	4	0.4
Dustin Ward	7	9	19	23	-4	-0.4	1	14	-0.6
Team	5	3	0	5	-5	-1.7	0	0	-1.0
Total	11	435	1992	202	1790	4.1	14	62	162.7
Opponents	11	538	2880	322	2558	4.8	26	41	232.5

PASSING	G	EFFIC.	ATT	CMP	INT.	PCT.	YDS.	TD	LNG	AVG/G
Kurt Kittner	10	128.92	297	173	8	58.2	1982	18	61	198.2
Dustin Ward	7	120.9	62	33	2	53.2	39	4	38	55.7
Steve Fitts	11	242.8	1	1	0	100.0	17	0	17	1.5
Rocky Harvey	11	0.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	11	127.50	361	207	10	57.3	2389	22	61	217.2
Opponents	11	107.07	323	177	12	54.8	1979	8	61	179.9

RECEIVING	G	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LNG	AVG/G
Greg Lewis	11	40	544	13.6	6	55	49.5
Jameel Cook	10	34	218	6.4	1	18	21.8
Aaron Moorehead	11	30	520	17.3	4	61	47.3
Walter Young	11	27	403	14.9	0	57	36.6
Rocky Harvey	11	17	91	5.4	0	19	8.3
Eric McGoe	10	15	187	12.5	2	32	18.7
Dwayne Smith	6	13	146	11.2	2	38	24.3
Josh Whitman	11	13	144	11.1	4	38	13.1
Brian Hodges	11	8	69	8.6	2	21	6.3
Carey Davis	10	7	40	5.7	1	10	4.0
Antoineo Harris	11	3	27	9.0	0	17	2.5
Total	11	207	2389	11.5	22	61	217.2
Opponents	11	177	1979	11.2	8	61	179.9

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LNG
Eugene Wilson	14	72	5.1	0	13
Christian Morton	8	195	24.4	1	80
Total	22	267	12.1	1	80
Opponents	32	199	6.2	0	22

INTERCEPTIONS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LNG
Eugene Wilson	4	22	5.5	0	22
Bobby Jackson	2	39	19.2	1	39
Fred Wakefield	1	4	4.0	0	4
Mondrian Long	1	75	75.0	1	75
Robert Franklin	1	8	8.0	0	8
Nana Agyeman	1	55	55.0	0	55
Bobie Singleton	1	0	0.0	0	0
Trayvon Waller	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	12	203	16.9	2	75
Opponents	10	301	30.1	2	71

KICK RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LNG
Christian Morton	27	539	20.0	0	42
Rocky Harvey	8	139	17.4	0	25
Carey Davis	6	50	8.3	0	18
Eugene Wilson	2	30	15.0	0	20
Greg Lewis	1	6	6.0	0	6
Jameel Cook	1	18	18.0	0	18
Total	45	782	17.4	0	42
Opponents	46	767	16.7	0	42

FUMBLE RET.	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LNG
Robert Franklin	1	48	48.	0	48
Total	1	48	48.0	0	48
Opponents	3	10	30.3	0	12



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TOTAL OFFENSE	G	PL	RSH	PA55	TOT	AVG./G
Kurt Kittner	10	341	61	1982	2043	204.3
Antoineo Harris	11	192	772	0	772	70.2
Rocky Harvey	11	124	683	0	683	62.1
Dustin Ward	7	71	-4	390	386	55.1
Jameel Cook	10	49	215	0	215	21.5
Carlos Lattimore	10	9	43	0	43	4.3
Carey Davis	10	5	21	0	21	2.1
Steve Fitts	11	1	0	17	17	1.5
Christian Morton	10	1	4	0	4	0.4
Team	5	3	-5	0	-5	-1.0

Total	11	796	1790	2389	4179	379.9
Opponents	11	861	2558	1979	4537	412.5

ALL-PURPOSE	G	RSH	REC	PR	KR	IR	PR	TOT	AVG
Rocky Harvey	11	683	91	0	139	0	0	913	83.0
Antoineo Harris	11	772	27	0	0	0	0	799	72.6
Chrisitan Morton	10	4	0	195	539	0	0	738	73.8
Greg Lewis	11	0	544	0	6	0	0	550	50.0
Aaron Moorehead	11	0	52	0	0	0	0	520	47.3
Jameel Cook	10	215	218	0	18	0	0	451	45.1
Walter Young	11	0	403	0	0	0	0	403	36.6
Eric McGoey	10	0	187	0	0	0	0	187	18.7
Dwayne Smith	6	0	146	0	0	0	0	146	24.3
Josh Whitman	11	0	144	0	0	0	0	144	13.1
Eugene Wilson	11	0	0	72	30	22	0	124	11.3
Carey Davis	10	21	40	0	50	0	0	111	11.1
Mon Long	10	0	0	0	0	75	0	75	7.5
Nana Agyeman	8	0	0	0	0	55	0	55	6.9
Brian Hodges	11	0	69	0	0	0	0	69	6.3
Kurt Kittner	10	61	0	0	0	0	0	61	6.1
Robert Franklin	11	0	0	0	0	8	48	56	5.1
Carlos Lattimore	10	43	0	0	0	0	0	43	4.3
Bobby Jackson	11	0	0	0	0	39	0	39	3.5
Fred Wakefield	11	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0.4
Dustin Ward	7	-4	0	0	0	0	0	-4	-0.6
Team	5	-5	0	0	0	0	0	-5	-1.0

Total	11	1790	2389	267	782	203	48	5479	498.1
Opponents	11	2558	1979	199	767	301	10	5814	528.5

SCORING	TD	FG5	KCK	RSH	RCV	PASS	DXP	SF	PTS
Antoineo Harris	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
Steve Fitts	0	5-10	25-25	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	40
Greg Lewis	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Josh Whitman	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Aaron Moorehead	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Rocky Harvey	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	20
JJ Tubbs	0	1-1	13-13	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	16
Kurt Kittner	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-1	0	0	12
Eric McGoey	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Dwayne Smith	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Brian Hodges	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Carey Davis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Mondrian Long	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Chrisitan Morton	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jameel Cook	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Carlos Lattimore	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Dustin Ward	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Bobby Jackson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Team	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2

Total	39	6-11	38-38	0-0	1	1-1	0	1	294
Opponents	36	12-18	30-32	0-0	1	1-4	0	1	286

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	PCT	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	LG	BLK
Steve Fitts	5-10	50.0	0-0	1-2	3-7	1-1	0-0	47	1
JJ Tubbs	1-1	100.0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	22	0

FG SEQUENCE	ILLINOIS	OPPONENTS
Middle Tennessee	-	(39), (33)
San Diego State	-	(28), (26)
California	34, (33), 33	27
Michigan	(24)	32
Minnesota	(47)	20, (19), (26), (43)
Iowa	37, (30)	-
Penn State	(39), 35, 29	(51)
Michigan State	(22)	-
Indiana	-	50
Ohio State	-	(19), (41), (17), (34)
Northwestern	-	38

* Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVG	LNG	TB	FC	I20	BLK
Steve Fitts	52	2128	40.9	64	4	9	11	2
Kurt Kittner	1	44	44.0	44	1	0	0	0
Team	2	25	12.5	25	0	0	0	0
Total	55	2197	39.9	64	5	9	11	2
Opponents	54	2136	39.6	74	7	3	20	0

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			—TACKLES—				—SACKS—		—PASS DEF—			—FUMBLES—		
DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	UT	AT	TOTAL	FOR LO55		NO-YDS	INT-YDS	BRUP	QBH		RCV-YDS	FF	BLKD KICK
30 Robert Franklin	11	83	26	19	4-9		—	1-8	6	1		1-48	2	—
42 Jerry Schumacher	11	73	31	104	2-11		—	—	3	—		—	1	—
7 Muhammad Abdullah	11	56	34	90	2-6		—	—	1	—		1-0	2	—
2 Bobby Jackson	11	53	23	76	3-8		1-6	2-39	4	—		—	—	—
85 Terrell Washington	11	38	30	68	16-56		8-39	—	1	5		1-0	1	—
99 Fred Wakefield	11	40	21	61	21-78		9-58	1-4	3	11		—	1	1
52 Michael Young	11	31	25	56	1-0		—	—	4	2		—	1	—
96 Brandon Moore	11	37	18	55	7-22		3-17	—	—	5		1-0	—	—
1 Marc Jackson	10	41	11	52	1-5		—	—	3	—		—	1	—
97 Jason Eberhart	11	24	14	38	4-9		1-4	—	2	4		—	—	—
28 Eugene Wilson	11	26	11	37	1-6		—	4-22	16	—		1-0	—	—
47 Mon Long	10	23	13	36	3-4		—	1-75	1	1		—	—	—
14 Bobie Singleton	10	20	8	28	—		—	1-0	2	—		—	—	—
8 Trayvon Waller	5	18	6	24	3-14		1-7	1-0	5	—		1-0	1	1
55 Brett Kautter	11	7	6	13	3-11		1-7	—	—	—		1-0	—	—
43 Anthony Hurd	8	8	1	9	1-6		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
98 Derrick Strong	7	3	6	9	—		1-0	—	1	2		—	—	—
91 Charles Gilstrap	7	4	5	9	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
51 Nathan Hodel	10	7	2	9	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
20 Eric Garrett	9	4	4	8	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
57 Marcus Hood	8	3	3	6	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
49 Brad Haywood	10	6	—	6	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
94 Jemari Perry	6	1	4	5	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
87 Josh Whitman	11	2	3	5	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
58 Jeff Ruffin	4	1	3	4	—		—	—	—	1		—	—	—
82 Nick Piazza	10	2	2	4	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
39 Carlos Lattimore	10	1	3	4	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
10 Steve Fitts	11	2	1	3	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
88 Dwayne Smith	6	1	2	3	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
24 Carey Davis	10	3	0	3	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
95 Neil Adams	10	3	0	3	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
86 Aaron Moorehead	11	2	0	2	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
27 Ty Myers	9	1	1	2	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
29 George Mumphard	4	2	0	2	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
90 Robby Long	9	1	1	2	1-5		1-5	—	—	—		—	—	—
13 Nana Agyeman	8	1	1	2	—		—	1-55	1	—		—	—	—
54 Ed Donoghue	3	0	1	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
11 Dustin Ward	7	1	0	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
31 Antoineo Harris	11	1	0	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
71 Luke Butkus	9	1	0	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
34 Jameel Cook	10	1	0	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
93 Mike O'Brien	2	0	1	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
33 Joe Bevis	7	1	0	1	—		—	—	—	—		—	—	—
18 Walter Young	11	—	—	—	—		—	—	1	—		—	—	—
TEAM	11	638	321	959	73-250		18-125	12-203	54	32		8-48	10	2
OPPONENTS	—	—	—	—	—		20-91	10-301	72	5		12-10	10	3



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GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Offense

GAME	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	FL	HB	QB	SE	FB
MT	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Cook
SDSU	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Cook
CAL	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Cook
MICH	McGoey (SE)	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Moorehead (FL)
MINN	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Cook
IOWA	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	Moorehead	Cook
PSU	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	Moorehead	Cook
MSU	Moorehead	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Cook
IND	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	W. Young	Moorehead
OSU	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Kittner	Moorehead	Cook
NW	Whitman	Sullivan	Kulaga	Butkus	Redziniak	Pashos	Lewis	Harvey	Ward	Moorehead	Cook

Defense

GAME	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB	CB	SS	FS	CB
MT	Wakefield	Moore	Ruffin	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Waller	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
SDSU	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Waller	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
CAL	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Waller	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
MICH	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Waller	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
MINN	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Waller	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
IOWA	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Hurd	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
PSU	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Hurd	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
MSU	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	Singleton	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
IND	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	M. Jackson	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
OSU	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	M. Jackson	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson
NW	Wakefield	Moore	Eberhart	Washington	Schumacher	Franklin	M. Young	M. Jackson	B. Jackson	Abdullah	Wilson

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

LONGEST DRIVES

LONGEST DRIVES	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
by # of plays	18 (88 yds, 7:04, TD) at PSU & (66 yds., 6:50, downs) at MSU	19 (75 yds., 8:52 FG) OSU
by # of yards	98 (14 pl., 5:29, fumble/then recovered for TD) vs. CAL	82 (3pl., 1:09, TD) MICH & (8 pl., 3:08, TD) MINN
Time of Possession	7:04 (18 pl., 88 yds, TD) at PSU	9:10 (17 pl., 58 yds., downs) IOWA

KICKOFFS

PLAYER	NO.	RET.	FC	OB	TB	EZ+	AVG. DEPTH	AVG. DRIVE START
Adams	45*	34	0	0	10	4	4.4 yd. line (196)	22.8 yd. line (1028)
Tubbs	6	6	0	0	0	0	29.8 yd. line (179)	35.7 yd. line (214)
Fitts	5	5	0	0	0	1	22.4 yd. line (112)	33.6 yd. line (168)

*one kickoff recovered by Illinois

RED ZONE STATS

INSIDE THE 20	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Times inside the 20	40	46
Total Scores	31	36
Touchdowns	26	28
Field Goals	5	8
Lost on Downs or Turnovers	4	6
Lost on Missed Field Goals	4	4
End of Game or Half	1	0
Scoring Percentage	78%	78%
Scoring Percentage (TDs only)	65%	61%
Percent of Total Drives	28%	32%

FIELD POSITION

FIELD POSITION	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Drives Started	144	145
Cumulative Starting Yardlines	4085	4784
Average Starting Field Position	28.4	33.0
Times Started Inside the 20	34	20
Drives Started in Plus Territory	17	25

POINTS AFTER TURNOVERS

TURNOVERS	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Turnovers Forced	20	21
Total Scores	9	8
Scoring Percentage	45%	38%
Points off Turnovers	63	48

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GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

TEAMS	SCORE	FIRST DOWNS	RUSHING ATT.	YARDS	PASS YARDS	TOTAL PLAYS	OFF.	FUM.	PEN.	TIME POSS.	THIRD DOWN
Illinois	35	26	49	285	190	76	475	0-0	5-51	33:55	9 of 16
Middle Tenn.	6	26	35	207	262	75	469	2-0	7-85	26:05	4 of 14
Illinois	49	24	44	259	158	70	417	2-2	3-25	27:55	10 of 13
San Diego State	13	17	34	99	151	70	250	1-0	8-71	32:05	6 of 16
Illinois	17	20	57	222	112	81	334	1-1	5-63	33:44	5 of 17
California	15	15	33	114	162	65	276	3-1	7-66	26:16	3 of 16
Illinois	31	21	32	95	352	70	447	3-2	4-25	28:46	7 of 15
Michigan	35	25	55	341	172	83	513	1-0	7-57	31:14	7 of 16
Illinois	10	16	30	82	178	73	260	2-2	3-22	27:09	8 of 19
Minnesota	44	26	64	364	182	81	546	3-2	5-54	32:51	5 of 12
Illinois	31	22	44	169	248	72	417	3-1	3-30	29:09	5 of 13
Iowa	0	15	32	86	181	66	267	3-2	9-60	30:51	6 of 16
Illinois	25	23	32	129	343	82	472	3-2	2-30	29:01	13 of 21
Penn State	39	21	46	182	208	70	390	2-1	4-35	30:59	7 of 13
Illinois	10	19	45	182	104	74	286	0-0	6-50	31:32	8 of 19
Michigan State	14	17	46	182	117	70	297	1-1	10-86	28:28	4 of 14
Illinois	42	24	36	99	277	65	376	0-0	4-35	25:06	10 of 15
Indiana	35	31	65	447	130	83	577	2-1	12-110	34:54	8 of 13
Illinois	21	15	30	152	181	60	333	1-0	2-15	23:59	3 of 11
Ohio State	24	29	57	223	251	95	474	1-0	5-40	36:01	9 of 18
Illinois	23	19	36	116	246	73	362	4-2	5-54	26:14	4 of 16
Northwestern	61	35	71	315	163	103	478	1-0	8-70	33:46	14 of 21



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RUSHING GAME-BY-GAME (att./yds/td)

PLAYER	MT	SDSU	CAL	MICH	MINN	IOWA	PSU	MSU	IND	OSU	NW
Antoineo Harris	21/128/1	23/117/3	21/83/0	17/56/1	8/24/0	10/22/0	7/10/0	31/123/0	23/65/1	17/93/1	14/51/0
Rocky Harvey	15/112/1	15/124/0	14/47/0	8/34/1	8/20/0	14/104/0	16/82/0	4/9/0	8/27/0	6/59/1	15/65/0
Jameel Cook	5/24/0	1/4/0	15/78/0	4/16/0	4/14/0	8/34/0	3/21/0	4/18/0	DNP	2/2/0	3/4/0
Kurt Kittner	5/17/0	1/0/0	5/16/1	2/-9/0	7/14/0	4/-18/0	6/16/0	5/20/0	9/7/1	5/-2/0	DNP
Carlos Lattimore	0/0/0	3/13/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	6/30/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Christian Morton	1/4/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Carey Davis	1/3/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/6/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/12/0	1/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Dustin Ward	1/3/0	1/1/0	2/-2/0	0/0/0	1/4/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	4/-4/1

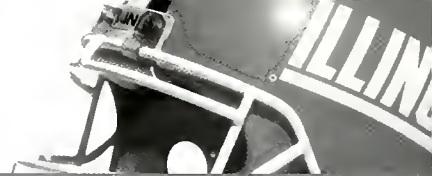
RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME (rec./yds/td)

PLAYER	MT	SDSU	CAL	MICH	MINN	IOWA	PSU	MSU	IND	OSU	NW
Walter Young	5/79/0	7/57/0	0/0/0	1/15/0	2/24/0	2/41/0	6/127/0	0/0/0	3/40/0	0/0/0	1/20/0
Greg Lewis	5/54/3	4/42/1	1/7/0	4/107/0	6/53/0	2/18/0	6/89/2	2/15/0	6/90/0	2/51/0	2/18/0
Jameel Cook	6/37/0	3/17/0	0/0/0	7/59/0	3/29/0	3/14/0	3/14/0	1/8/0	DNP	4/18/1	4/22/0
Josh Whitman	0/0/0	1/13/1	1/5/1	3/28/1	0/0/0	2/9/0	3/16/1	1/38/0	0/0/0	2/35/0	0/0/0
Brian Hodges	0/0/0	2/19/1	1/1/0	1/14/0	1/8/0	2/22/1	1/5/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Rocky Harvey	1/5/0	1/5/0	1/19/0	4/23/0	1/-11/0	1/8/0	4/31/0	3/11/0	0/0/0	1/0/0	0/0/0
Carey Davis	1/10/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	3/10/0	3/20/1	0/0/0	0/0/0
Aaron Moorehead	1/5/0	1/5/0	3/80/0	2/61/0	0/0/0	4/125/2	6/56/0	2/15/0	5/103/2	4/32/0	2/38/0
Eric McGoe	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	4/36/1	1/21/1	1/11/0	1/5/0	1/7/0	3/17/0	1/25/0	3/65/0
Antoineo Harris	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/7/0	1/11/0	0/0/0
Dwayne Smith	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	4/54/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/9/0	8/83/2

PASSING GAME-BY-GAME (comp./yds/td)

KURT KITTNER	ATT.	COMP.	YDS	INT	TD	DUSTIN WARD	ATT.	COMP.	YDS	INT	TD
Middle Tennessee	26	18	185	1	3	Middle Tennessee	1	1	5	0	0
San Diego State	25	18	148	0	3	San Diego State	1	1	10	0	0
California	16	4	73	0	1	California	8	3	39	0	0
Michigan	38	27	352	0	2	Michigan	DNP				
Minnesota	34	13	103	1	0	Minnesota	9	5	75	1	1
Iowa	25	17	248	1	3	Iowa	2	0	0	0	0
Penn State	49	29	326	2	3	Penn State	DNP				
Michigan State	29	13	104	2	0	Michigan State	DNP				
Indiana	29	21	277	0	3	Indiana	DNP				
Ohio State	26	13	166	1	0	Ohio State	4	3	15	0	1
Northwestern	DNP					Northwestern	37	20	246	1	2

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DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME (solo/asst./total)

PLAYER	MT	SDSU	CAL	MICH	MINN	IOWA	PSU	MSU	IND	OSU	NW
Robert Franklin	11/2/13	4/1/5	9/3/12	6/1/7	7/0/7	7/1/8	7/0/7	8/1/9	6/2/8	10/6/16	7/8/15
Jerry Schumacher	6/1/7	3/3/6	5/3/8	6/2/8	10/0/10	5/5/10	7/2/9	10/2/12	6/1/7	10/3/13	6/7/13
Muhammad Abdullah	4/2/6	0/5/5	5/4/9	8/1/9	6/1/7	4/4/8	5/2/7	6/2/8	6/2/8	8/1/9	6/5/11
Bobby Jackson	4/1/5	1/0/1	2/1/3	6/2/8	7/1/8	4/3/7	3/1/4	5/4/9	8/1/9	7/2/9	5/4/9
Terrell Washington	1/3/4	2/3/5	4/4/8	4/0/4	3/1/4	5/4/9	2/3/5	4/4/8	2/1/3	6/1/7	3/6/9
Fred Wakefield	3/1/4	2/2/4	4/4/8	4/2/6	3/2/5	6/2/8	3/2/5	5/2/7	2/1/3	4/4/8	1/1/2
Michael Young	0/1/1	5/1/6	5/0/5	1/3/4	2/1/3	1/5/6	5/2/7	2/2/4	4/4/8	5/4/9	1/0/1
Brandon Moore	3/1/4	1/1/2	2/2/4	2/0/2	2/4/6	3/1/4	5/2/7	4/2/6	5/3/8	8/1/9	2/1/3
Marc Jackson	5/1/6	4/1/5	1/0/1	0/0/0	5/0/5	5/2/7	0/0/0	0/3/3	6/0/6	9/2/11	4/2/6
Jason Eberhart	1/1/2	2/2/4	0/0/0	2/0/2	2/1/3	0/1/1	6/0/6	6/0/6	0/0/0	1/6/7	3/1/4
Eugene Wilson	2/1/3	3/0/3	0/0/0	1/0/1	3/1/4	3/0/3	1/0/1	5/1/6	4/0/4	1/2/3	2/4/6
Mon Long	3/1/4	5/2/7	2/0/2	1/0/1	8/1/9	1/1/2	0/0/0	DNP	1/1/2	2/0/2	1/6/7
Bobie Singleton	2/0/2	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/0/2	0/0/0	3/2/5	5/3/8	5/2/7	2/1/3	DNP
Trayvon Waller	3/1/4	6/1/7	5/2/7	4/0/4	1/0/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Brett Kautter	0/1/1	1/2/3	2/1/3	1/1/2	1/1/2	1/0/1	1/0/1	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Carey Davis	0/0/0	2/0/2	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0
Nathan Hodel	1/0/1	1/0/1	2/1/3	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/1/3	0/0/0	0/0/0
Nana Agyeman	1/1/2	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Brad Haywood	0/0/0	2/0/2	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	2/0/2	1/0/1	0/0/0
Robby Long	1/0/1	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	DNP
Mike O'Brien	0/1/1	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jeff Ruffin	0/2/2	1/1/2	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
George Mumphard	DNP	2/0/2	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Carlos Lattimore	0/1/1	1/0/1	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Steve Fitts	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	1/0/1	0/0/0
Joe Bevis	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Anthony Hurd	DNP	1/0/1	3/0/3	1/1/2	2/0/2	0/0/0	1/0/1	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP
Ed Donoghue	0/0/0	0/1/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Josh Whitman	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/2/4	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Ty Myers	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0
Eric Garrett	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	DNP	0/0/0	0/1/1	3/2/5
Aaron Moorehead	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Charles Gilstrap	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	2/1/3	1/1/2	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	0/2/2
Jemari Perry	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	1/2/3	0/2/2	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0
Derrick Strong	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	2/0/2	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	3/3/6
Jameel Cook	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0
Marcus Hood	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/1/2	1/2/3
Luke Butkus	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Nick Piazza	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	1/1/2	0/1/1	0/0/0
Tony Pashos	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	00/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0
Dwyane Smith	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/1	0/1/1	1/0/1
Antoineo Harris	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	1/0/1	0/0/0



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TEAM HONORS

Third-team Football Writers Association All-American: OT Marques Sullivan

Honorable Mention Football New All-American: QB Kurt Kittner, OT Marques Sullivan, DE Fred Wakefield

First-team All-Big Ten: DE Fred Wakefield

Second-team All-Big Ten: OT Marques Sullivan, OG Ray Redziniak

Honorable Mention All-Big Ten: C, Luke Butkus, P Steve Fitts, LB, Robert Franklin, RB Rocky Harvey, CB Eugene Wilson, TE Josh Whitman

National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award: Josh Whitman

Preseason Playboy All-American: Marques Sullivan
GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American (first team): Josh Whitman
(second team): Fred Wakefield

Academic All-Big Ten: Kenny Boyle, David Diehl, Nathan Hodel, Brett Kautter, Jay Kulaga, Mike Malczyk, Eric McGoey, B.J. Ogata, Tony Pashos, Nick Piazza, JJ Tubbs, Fred Wakefield, Josh Whitman

Illinois Most Valuable Player: Kurt Kittner

Offensive Player of the Year: Kurt Kittner

Defensive Player of the Year: Robert Franklin, Fred Wakefield

Special Teams Player of the Year: Muhammad Abdullah

Rookie of the Year: Charles Gilstrap

Monsignor Edward J. Duncan Award: Kris Jenner

Bruce Capel Award: Josh Whitman

Wright Commitment to Success Award: Mike Young

Scholar-Athlete Award: Josh Whitman

Team Captains: Muhammad Abdullah, Bobby Jackson, Ray Redziniak, Fred Wakefield

Scout Team Players of the Year: Mark Kornfeld, Mike Gawelek, Anthony Julian

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ILLINOIS 35
MIDDLE TENNESSEE 6

Sept. 2, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

The Fighting Illini kicked off the 2000 season with a 35-6 victory over the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders at Memorial Stadium. It was the second straight opener in which the Illinois defense held its opponent without a touchdown. Quarterback Kurt Kittner led the way by connecting on 18 of 26 passes for 185 yards and three touchdowns. Wide receiver Greg Lewis tied a school record (with four others) by catching all three scoring strikes.

Running back Antoineo Harris had a career-high 128 yards rushing on 21 carries while Rocky Harvey joined Harris over the century mark with 112 yards rushing of his own. Harvey took one carry 62 yards for the longest run of his career.

The Illini jumped out to an early lead when Kittner connected with Lewis from 24 yards for the first score of the game. Middle Tennessee kicker Brian Kelley had field goals from 39 and 33 yards to make the halftime score 7-6 in favor of the Illini.

The Illinois offense took charge in the second half. The Illini scored three touchdowns in the third quarter while holding the Blue Raiders to just 19 yards in total offense. Kittner connected with Lewis two more times before Harris ran one in to the endzone with 25 seconds remaining in the quarter to make the score 28-6. Harvey then busted loose for his 62-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter to seal the Illini's 35-6 victory.

The win marked the first time since 1991-92 that the Illini won consecutive season openers. Middle Tennessee's 469 yards in total offense were the most ever gained against the Illini in which an opponent failed to score a touchdown. The game was played in extreme heat with the heat index reaching 105 degrees and temperature on the field reaching 128 degrees.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
M. Tennessee	0	6	0	0	6
Illinois	7	0	21	7	35

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

IL: Lewis 24 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 12 pl., 97 yds, 3:34

Second Quarter

MT: Kelly 39 FG, 9 pl., 23 yds, 2:26
MT: Kelly 33 FG, 11 pl., 54 yds, 2:26

Third Quarter

IL: Lewis 10 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 11 pl., 76 yds, 4:50
IL: Lewis 7 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 11 pl., 55 yds, 4:58
IL: Harris 11 run (Fitts kick) 5 pl., 37 yds, 2:50

Fourth Quarter

IL: Harvey 62 run (Fitts kick) 4 pl., 85 yds, 1:48

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	MT	ILL
First Downs	26	26
Rushes-Yards	35-207	49-285
Passing Yards	262	190
Comp-Att-Int	25-40-2	19-27-1
Total Yards	469	475
Punts-Avg	5-174	4-176
Kickoff Returns	4-83	2-23
Penalties-Yards	7-85	5-51
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	0-0
Sacks	1-8	2-17
Third-down Conv.	4 of 14	9 of 16
Time of Possession	26:05	33:55

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ILLINOIS 49 SAN DIEGO STATE 13

Sept. 9, 2000 • San Diego, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	14	21	0	14	49
SDSU	3	3	7	0	13

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

IL: Lewis 20 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 3 pl., 47 yds, 1:07

IL: Harris 3 run (Fitts kick), 7 pl., 28 yds, 2:56

SDSU: Tandberg 28 FG, 12 pl., 69 yds, 4:27

Second Quarter

SDSU: Tandberg 26 FG, 10 pl., 39 yds, 3:58

IL: Whitman 13 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 13 pl., 72 yds, 5:48

IL: Harris 15 run (Fitts kick), 8 pl., 54 yds, 1:42

IL: B. Hodges 9 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 3 pl., 75 yds, 0:54

Third Quarter

SDSU: Ned 1 run (Tandberg kick), 6 pl., 24 yds, 2:39

Fourth Quarter

IL: Harris 2 run (Fitts kick), 13 pl., 62 yds, 6:01

IL: Lattimore 6 run (Fitts kick), 3 pl., 8 yds, 1:37

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	SDSU
First Downs	24	17
Rushes-Yards	44-259	34-99
Passing Yards	158	151
Comp-Att-Int	19-26-0	19-36-2
Total Yards	417	250
Punts-Avg	3-39.7	6-39.0
Kickoff Returns	4-79	8-113
Penalties-Yards	3-25	8-71
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Sacks	2-10	0-0
Third-down Conv.	10 of 13	6 of 16
Time of Possession	27:55	32:05

Lattimore ran into the endzone for the first touchdown of his career. The safety turned fullback gained 13 yards on three carries in the game.

The Illinois defense looked much improved over its game one performance. After surrendering the most offensive yards ever given up without allowing a touchdown in the season opener, the D held the Aztecs to just 250 yards of total offense. The defense recorded 13 tackles-for-loss along with grabbing two interceptions. For the second straight game running backs Rocky Harvey and Antoinio Harris ran for more than 100 yards each. It was the first time in school history that two running backs rushed for 100 yards or more in two consecutive games.

The Fighting Illini offense picked up where it left off in game one. Quarterback Kurt Kittner found Greg Lewis for the first score of the game. It was the pairs' fourth-consecutive touchdown connection of the 2000 season. Despite separating his shoulder in the season opener, running back Antoinio Harris also continued his offensive explosion. He rushed for 117 yards on 23 carries. Harris also added three touchdowns in Illinois' 49-13 victory over the San Diego State Aztecs.

Two of Harris' TDs came in the first half. Kittner connected with tight ends Josh Whitman and Brian Hodges in the second quarter for the first two TD passes of the season not caught by Lewis. The Illini defense kept the Aztecs out of the end zone in the first half. San Diego State kicker Nate Tandberg hit two field goals in the first half to make the score 35-6 at the break.

With eight seconds left on the clock San Diego State's Larry Ned ran in from one yard out for the only score of the third period. In the fourth quarter the Illini offense picked up again as Harris scored his third touchdown of the game. Not quite two minutes later, Carlos

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ILLINOIS 17 CALIFORNIA 15

Sept. 16, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
California	0	9	0	6	15
Illinois	7	7	0	3	17

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

IL: Whitman 5 pass from Kittner (Fitts kick), 6 pl., 60 yds, 1:46

Second Quarter

CAL: Paga Safety

IL: Kittner 2 run (Fitts kick), 1 pl., 2 yds, 0:06

CAL: Arnold 2 pass from Boller (Jensen kick), 8 pl., 80 yds, 1:39

Fourth Quarter

IL: Fitts 33 Field Goal, 11 pl., 70 yds, 4:13

CAL: Arnold 32 pass from Boller (Conversion failed), 5 pl., 59 yds, 1:24

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	CAL
First Downs	20	15
Rushes-Yards	57-238	33-114
Passing Yards	112	162
Comp-Att-Int	24-7-0	32-15-0
Total Yards	334	276
Punts-Avg	9-38.4	12-41.4
Kickoff Returns	2-52	3-54
Penalties-Yards	8-63	7-66
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-1
Sacks	3-15	2-5
Third-down Conv.	5 of 17	3 of 16
Time of Possession	33:44	26:16

The Illinois defense took center stage in the Illini's 17-15 victory over the California Golden Bears. With 1:26 remaining in the game, the Illinois defense kept the Bears from converting a 2-point conversion attempt that would have tied the game at 17. The Illini were able to recover the ensuing on-side kick and allow the time on the score board clock to expire.

The Illini struck first when quarterback Kurt Kittner hit Josh Whitman in the end zone to cap off Illinois' first possession of the game. The first score for the Golden Bears came when Shaun Paga sacked Kittner in the end zone putting two points on the board for Cal. Kittner scored the next six points by running the ball in from two yards out. Steve Fitts hit his 14th straight extra point attempt to make the Illini advantage, 14-2. Kittner's two-yard touchdown was set up following an Antoinio Harris fumble on the Cal 5 yardline which was recovered by California's Nnamdi Asomugha who then

fumbled and was recovered by Marques Sullivan on the 2 yardline. Less than three minutes later, with three seconds left in the second quarter, California quarterback Kyle Boller's pass to the right corner of the end zone was tipped by Illinois defensive end Fred Wakefield, but fell into the arms of Cal's Charon Arnold in the end zone to make the halftime score 14-9.

At the 10:50 mark in the third quarter, Kittner left the game with a sprained knee and did not return to the game. The Illini rallied behind Champaign-native QB Dustin Ward as he marched the Illini down the field, setting up Fitts first field goal of his career, Illinois first of the season, a 33-yarder, to put Illinois up 17-9. The Bears scored one more time on a 32-yard pass from Boller to Arnold, but the Illinois defense and Fred Wakefield's deflection secured the victory for the Illini.

The story of the game for California was the outstanding performance by punter Nick Harris who landed 10 punts inside the 20 yardline, six inside the 10. His long punt of the day was a 64-yarder, which was downed at the Illinois 3.



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**MICHIGAN 35
ILLINOIS 31**

Sept. 23, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Michigan	7	0	7	21	35
Illinois	0	14	10	7	31

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MICH: Thomas 2 yd run (Epstein kick),
11 pl., 80 yds, 3:48

Second Quarter

IL: Harris 3 yd run (Fitts kick), 1 pl.,
3 yds, 0:03

IL: Harvey 6 yd run (Fitts kick),
5 pl., 80 yds, 1:22

Third Quarter

IL: Whitman 15 pass from Kittner
(Fitts Kick), 10 pl., 63 yds, 4:13

MICH: Henson 8 yd run (Del Verne kick)
12 pl., 80 yds, 5:26

IL: Fitts 24 yd Field Goal, 11 pl.,
76 yds, 4:59

Fourth Quarter

MICH: Terrell 57 pass from Henson (Del
Verne kick), 3 pl., 82 yds, 1:09

IL: McGoe 17 pass from Kittner
(Fitts kick), 7 pl., 80 pl., 3:19

MICH: Perry 15 run (Del Verne kick),
5 pl., 45 yds, 1:25

MICH: Thomas 3 run (Del Verne kick)
3 pl., 26 yds, 1:13

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MICH
First Downs	21	25
Rushes-Yards	32-95	55-341
Passing Yards	352	172
Comp-Att-Int	27-38-0	12-28-0
Total Yards	447	513
Punts-Avg	4-46.5	6-29.0
Kickoff Returns	4-63	4-42
Penalties-Yards	4-25	7-57
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Sacks	1-8	2-9
Third-down Conv.	7 of 15	7 of 16
Time of Possession	28:46	31:14

Illinois quarterback Kurt Kittner was the star of the game, but the Illini fell short in a 35-31 loss to the Michigan Wolverines in the Big Ten opener. Kittner threw for a career-high 352 yards as well as two touchdown strikes.

The return of Michigan quarterback Drew Henson, who broke his foot in the preseason, sparked the Wolverine offense after a first-half mostly handled by backup QB John Navarre who led Michigan to its first score on a Anthony Thomas run. Henson took over from there to lead the Wolverines back from a 10-point deficit at the start of the fourth quarter.

It was all Illinois in the second period as Antoinio Harris and Rocky Harvey each rushed into the endzone on three and six-yard runs, respectively. The Illini held a 14-7 edge at the half, which marked the first time since 1983 that Illinois led Michigan at halftime.

Illinois struck first in the second half as Kittner connected with tight end Josh Whitman for 15 yards to extend the Illini advantage to 21-7. Henson capped off a scoring drive for Michigan by running 8 yards on the keeper

to cut the Illinois lead to seven. Illinois kicker Steve Fitts gave the Illini a little bit of breathing room by hitting his second field goal of the year from 24 yards out.

Henson connected with wide receiver David Terrell for a 57-yard touchdown to start the Michigan comeback in the fourth quarter. Illinois answered with a 17-yard touchdown pass from Kittner to red-shirt-freshman Eric McGoe giving the Illini a 31-21 lead with 10:54 to play. Behind Henson, the Wolverine offense added two more running touchdowns to secure the come-from-behind victory.

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**MINNESOTA 44
ILLINOIS 10**

Sept. 30, 2000 • Minneapolis, Minn.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	3	0	7	10
Minnesota	14	14	6	10	44

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MN: Cole 1 yd run (Nystrom kick),
9 pl., 62 yds, 2:55

MN: Cole 7 yd run (Nystrom kick),
6 pl., 53 yds, 2:36

Second Quarter

MN: Redmon 3 yd run (Nystrom kick)
6 pl., 49 yds, 2:35

MN: Redmon 20 yd run (Nystrom
kick)

8 pl., 82 yds, 3:08

IL: Fitts 47 FG, 13 pl., 63 yds, 4:01

Third Quarter

MN: Nystrom 19 FG, 7 pl., 75 yds, 2:38

MN: Nystrom 26 FG, 8 pl., 25 yds, 3:34

Fourth Quarter

MN: Nystrom 43 FG, 13 pl., 34 yds,
4:13

MN: Graham 71 int. ret. (Nystrom
kick)

IL: McGoe 21 rec. from Ward (Fitts
kick), 7 pl., 74 yds, 1:56

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MINN
First Downs	16	26
Rushes-Yards	30-82	64-364
Passing Yards	178	182
Comp-Att-Int	18-43-2	10-17-0
Total Yards	260	546
Punts-Avg	7-26.4	1-42
Kickoff Returns	9-138	3-54
Penalties-Yards	3-22	5-54
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-2
Sacks	1-8	3-20
Third-down Conv.	8 of 19	5 of 12
Time of Possession	27:09	32:51

The Illini had a tough day at the Metrodome. The Golden Gophers shut down the Illinois offense while the Minnesota offense ran over the Illini. Minnesota jumped out to an early 28-0 lead en route to a 44-10 victory.

The Illini were held to 82 yards rushing while gaining only 178 yards through the air. Minnesota passed for 182 yards, while having a stellar day on the ground. The Golden Gopher offense rushed for 364 yards and four touchdowns.

Travis Cole and Tellis Redmon each scored two rushing touchdowns in the first half and Dan Nystrom hit all four extra point attempts to put the Golden Gophers up 28-0. Illinois' Steve Fitts hit a 47-yard field goal with 40 seconds remaining in the second quarter to put the Illini on the board at the break.

Nystrom hit three field goals to account for Minnesota's first three scores of the second half. The Golden Gophers went up 44-3 when Trevis Graham intercepted a Dustin Ward pass and returned it 71 yards for a touchdown. With 35 seconds remaining in the game, Ward connect-

ed with Eric McGoe for a 21-yard touchdown. Fitts hit his only extra point attempt of the game to make the final score 44-10.

The crushing blow for the Illini came when corner back Trayvon Waller suffered a broken ankle. The injury ended the season of Illinois' fourth-leading tackler. On the season, Waller had recorded three tackles-for-loss, one sack and one interception. He also defended four passes and forced a fumble in the first four games of the season. Waller recovered a fumble and blocked a punt prior to sustaining the injury.

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ILLINOIS 31

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Oct. 14, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Iowa	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois	0	21	0	10	31

SCORING SUMMARY

Second Quarter

IL: B. Hodges 1 yd rec. from Kittner (Fitts Kick); 11 pl., 80 yds., 3:21

IL: Moorehead 61 yd rec from Kittner (Fitts Kick); 1 pl., 61 yds., 0:17

IL: Moorehead 23 yd rec from Kittner (Fitts kick); 5 pl., 51 yds., 0:44.

Fourth Quarter

IL: Fitts 30 Field goal; 13 pl., 67 yds, 5:17

IL: M. Long 75 yd int. return (Fitts kick)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	Iowa
First Downs	22	15
Rushes-Yards	44-169	32-86
Passing Yards	248	181
Comp-Att-Int	17-28-1	18-34-2
Total Yards	417	267
Punts-Avg	3-44.3	7-46.3
Kickoff Returns	0-0	4-76
Penalties-Yards	3-30	9-60
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	3-2
Sacks	5-36	3-9
Third-down Conv.	5 of 13	6 of 16
Time of Possession	29:09	30:51

In front of a Homecoming crowd of more than 62,000 alumni and fans, the Illini came out fighting as they returned to action after two straight losses and a bye week. The Illinois defense recorded its first shut-out of the year, and Kurt Kittner threw for a career-high 221 first half yards en route to a 31-0 victory at Memorial Stadium.

Kittner connected for three touchdown strikes in the second quarter to put the Illini up for good. On second-and-goal from the Iowa 1, Kittner hit tight end Brian Hodges in the end zone for Illinois' first score of the game. Just 2:04 later, Kittner found a wide-open Aaron Moorehead 61 yards downfield for another Illinois TD. Less than one minute before the half, Kittner found Moorehead again to make the score 21-0 at the break.

Steve Fitts hit the fourth field goal of his placekicking career

to start the fourth quarter. The big excitement in the fourth came when senior linebacker Mondrian Long picked off a Jon Beutjer pass and returned it 75 yards for the first touchdown of his career to seal the 31-0 shutout.

The Illinois defense dominated the Hawkeyes throughout the game as Beutjer was held to -1 yard passing in the first quarter. Linebacker Robert Franklin picked off a Beutjer pass in the in the second quarter. It was the first interception of the redshirt freshman's career. The Illini D also recorded a record five sacks in the game.

Two of Illinois first half scores were the direct result of Iowa turnovers. The 61-yard touchdown strike from Kittner to Moorehead was scored on the possession following Franklin's interception. An Iowa fumble recovered by Brandon Moore resulted in the final touchdown of the quarter. On the day, the Illinois D forced three fumbles and recovered two of them.

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PENN STATE 39

ILLINOIS 25

Oct. 21, 2000 • State College, Pa.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	3	7	8	7	25
Penn State	14	0	10	15	39

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

PSU: McCoo 7 yd run (Primanti kick); 09:01 (11 pl., 67 yds, 5:59)

IL: Fitts 39 field goal; 05:27 (11 pl., 59 yds, 3:34)

PSU: McCoo 14 yd rec from Casey (Primanti kick); 02:55 (7 pl., 74 yds, 2:32)

Second Quarter

IL: Lewis 8 yd rec from Kittner (Fitts kick); 10:43 (18 pl., 88 yds, 7:12)

Third Quarter

PSU: Finney 49 yd int. return (Primanti kick) 13:17

IL: Lewis 55 yd rec from Kittner (conversion good); 10:41 (7 pl., 80 yds, 2:36)

PSU: Primanti 51 yd field goal; 06:00 (11 pl., 46 yds, 4:41)

Fourth Quarter

PSU: Watson 15 yd rec from Casey 11:38 (conversion good); 2 pl., 15 yds, 0:46

IL: Whitman 4 yd rec from Kittner 05:46 Fitts kick; 8 pl., 33 yds, 2:59

PSU: Casey 39 yd run (Primanti kick); 03:12 5 pl., 80 yds, 2:34

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	PSU
First Downs	23	21
Rushes-Yards	32-129	46-182
Passing Yards	343	208
Comp-Att-Int	30-50-2	13-24-0
Total Yards	472	390
Punts-Avg	1-64.0	3-35.7
Kickoff Returns	02-31	3-78
Penalties-Yards	2-30	4-35
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Sacks	1-9	2-7
Third-down Conv.	13 of 21	7 of 13
Time of Possession	29:01	30:59

For the first time all year, Penn State scored a touchdown on its opening possession. The Nittany Lions did not look back from there. The Illini capitalized on many opportunities; however, turnovers proved to be costly in the 39-25 loss in Happy Valley. Illinois had four turnovers in the game, including an interception that was returned for a touchdown.

Although Penn State jumped in front early, the Illini kept the score close for the majority of the game. After the Nittany Lions found the endzone to start the game, Illinois' Steve Fitts connected on a 39-yard field goal. Penn State added another touchdown in the first quarter. In the second period, Illinois had gone three and out, but the Nittany Lions were flagged for having too many men on the field during the punt, which gave the Illini a second chance. Illinois took advantage of the Penn State error with an 8-yard strike from quarterback Kurt Kittner to Greg Lewis to make the score 14-10 at halftime.

The Nittany Lions scored first in the second half as well. Shamar Finney intercepted a Kittner pass and returned it for a touchdown. The Illini answered as Kittner connected with Lewis on

a 55-yard bomb. Illinois was successful on the 2-point conversion attempt to cut the PSU lead to 3. Ryan Primanti hit a field goal from 51 yards out to put the Nittany Lions up 24-18 at the end of the third quarter.

Penn State quarterback Rashard Casey threw his second TD pass of the day to start the fourth quarter. Once again the Illini answered. Senior tight end Josh Whitman made a great catch to cut the Illinois deficit to 32-25 with 5:46 remaining. Casey finished off the Illini with a 39-yard touchdown run late in the fourth to seal the Nittany Lions' 39-25 victory.



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**MICHIGAN STATE 14
ILLINOIS 10**

Oct. 28, 2000 • East Lansing, Mich.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	0	7	3	10
Michigan State	7	0	0	7	14

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MSU: Moss 4 run (Schaefer kick); 6:19 (9-35-4:09)

Third Quarter

ILL: Jackson 39 interception ret.; 9:18 (Tubbs kick)

Fourth Quarter

ILL: Tubbs 22 FG, 12:15 (7-64-2:19)
MSU: Moss 1 run (Schaefer kick), 8:04 (11-82-4:11)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MSU
First Downs	19	17
Rushes-Yards	45-205	46-214
Passing Yards	104	117
Comp-Att-Int	29-13-2	24-13-2
Total Yards	286	297
Punts-Avg	1-13	3-12
Kickoff Returns	3-52	3-63
Penalties-Yards	6-50	10-86
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Sacks	2-16	1-13
Third-down Conv.	8 of 19	4 of 14
Time of Possession	31:32	28:28

Despite a stellar effort by the Illini defense holding Michigan State to under 300 yards total offense, Illinois could not ignite the offense as it fell to the Spartans 10-14 in East Lansing. The Michigan State winning streak dates back to 1995.

On the opening drive Michigan State drove downfield only to be stopped in the redzone on a fumble stripped by Muhammad Abdullah and recovered by Eugene Wilson, setting up the Illini inside their own 10 yard line. Unfortunately, the Illini did not capitalize on the turnover, and the Spartans found the endzone on their next possession to take an early 7-0 lead. The 4-yard TD run by Dawan Moss was the only score in the first half. The Illinois offense had a difficult time executing in the opening two quarters tallying only 96 yards of total offense in the first half.

Junior safety Bobby Jackson provided the spark for the Illini in the second half as he intercepted a Ryan Van Dyke pass and returned it 39 yards for Illinois' only touchdown of the game. Junior place kicker JJ Tubbs came in to hit the first extra point of his collegiate career to tie the score at 7-7.

The Illini took the lead at the beginning of the fourth quarter when Tubbs came in for his first field goal attempt, hitting the 22-yarder to put the Illini up 10-7 with 12:15 remaining. The Illinois lead did not last long as Moss ran in from one yard out at the 8:04 mark to put Michigan State up for good. David Schaefer hit his second extra point of the day to secure the 14-10 Spartan victory.

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**ILLINOIS 42
INDIANA 35**

Nov. 4, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Indiana	7	14	0	14	35
Illinois	7	14	7	14	42

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Morton 80 yd punt return, 11:17 (Tubbs kick)
IN: Randle El 4 yd run (Payne kick); 3:42 (7-72-3:11)

Second Quarter

IN: Randle El 4 yd run (Payne kick); 14:27 (8-58-2:39)
ILL: Moorehead 20 pass from Kittner (Tubbs kick); 9:56 (8-67-4:31)
IN: Hogan 5 yd run (Payne kick); 3:20 (12-75-6:35)
ILL: Davis 1 pass from Kittner (Tubbs kick), 2:34 (3-64-0:46)

Third Quarter

ILL: Moorehead 17 pass from Kittner 10:07 (Tubbs kick), 7-66-2:06

Fourth Quarter

IN: Randle El 12 yd run (Payne kick), 13:26 10-76-4:07
ILL: Harris 4 yd run (Tubbs kick), 10:59 7-80-2:27
IN: Randle El 5 yd run (Payne kick) 5:08 12-73-5:51
ILL: Kittner 1 yd run (Tubbs kick), 0:25 15-78-4:43

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	IN
First Downs	24	31
Rushes-Yards	36-99	65-447
Passing Yards	277	130
Comp-Att-Int	21-29-0	10-18-1
Total Yards	376	577
Punts-Avg	5-206	2-87
Kickoff Returns	5-99	6-101
Penalties-Yards	4-35	12-110
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Sacks	1-3	2-2
Third-down Conv.	10 of 15	8 of 13
Time of Possession	25:06	34:54

The Illini emerged winners in an offensive shootout as Illinois topped Indiana 42-35 at Memorial Stadium. In a game with more than 950 yards of total offense, QB Kurt Kittner led the Illinois offense down the field to score with 25 seconds remaining to edge the Hoosiers.

The Illini jumped out in front early following an 80-yard punt return for a touchdown by red-shirt freshman Christian Morton, the first score of his career. The quick-footed QB Antwaan Randle El got Indiana its first lead of the day as he ran in from four yards out on two consecutive IU possessions. His second TD came just 33 seconds into the second quarter, but the Indiana lead did not last long as the Illini fired back with a 20-yard scoring catch by Aaron Moorehead from Kittner to even the score at 14.

The Hoosiers came back with a 6:36 minute drive that ended when RB De'Wayne Hogan ran in from five yards out to put the Hoosiers up with 3:20 remaining in the half. However, Kittner engineered a 64-yard scoring drive in just three plays to tie the score at 21 at the half. A 51-yard pass to Moorehead set up a 1 yard TD run by Carey Davis.

Illinois jumped out in front to start the second half when Kittner and Moorehead connected for their second touchdown of the day, this time from 17 yards away. With the Hoosiers driving in the red zone, the Illinois defense came up with a crucial stop as Robert Franklin forced Randle El to fumble the ball at the Illinois 1 and Terrell Washington recovered to preserve the Illinois advantage.

After holding the Hoosiers scoreless in the third quarter, Randle El rushed in from the 12-yard line to even up the score at 28-28. The Illini regained the lead on their next possession on a 4-yard run by Antoinio Harris. Randle El scored his fourth rushing TD of the day on the next possession. This touchdown came from five yards out with 5:08 remaining in the contest.

The Illini managed to run the clock down on their final possession of the game scoring on a 1-yard run by Kittner with just 25 seconds left.

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OHIO STATE 24 ILLINOIS 21

Nov. 11, 2000 • Champaign, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Ohio State	3	9	6	6	24
Illinois	7	7	0	7	21

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Harvey 29 yd run (Tubbs kick);
13:25 4 pl., 58 yds, 1:35
OSU: Stultz 19 yd field goal; 11pl.,
8:33 64 yds, 4:52

Second Quarter

OSU: Stultz 41 yd field goal; 7 pl.,
14:42 20 yds, 1:32
ILL: Harris 25 yd run (Tubbs kick);
12:44 6 pl., 65 yds, 1:58
OSU: Sanders 1 yd pass from Bellisari
0:23 (Conv. failed); 10 pl., 80 yds, 1:48

Third Quarter

OSU: Sanders 7 yd pass from Bellisari
8:21 (Conv. failed); 10 pl., 75 yds, 3:38

Fourth Quarter

ILL: Cook 1 yd pass from Ward
14:17 (Tubbs kick); 11 pl., 85 yds, 2:49
OSU: Stultz 17 yd field goal; 19 pl.,
6:05 75 yds, 8:12
OSU: Stultz 34 yd field goal; 13 pl.,
0:00 72 yds, 3:40

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	OSU
First Downs	15	29
Rushes-Yards	30-152	57-223
Passing Yards	181	251
Comp-Att-Int	16-30-1	23-38-3
Total Yards	333	474
Punts-Avg	7-40.4	4-37.3
Kickoff Returns	4-101	4-56
Penalties-Yards	2-15	5-40
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Sacks	1-6	1-5
Third-down Conv.	3 of 11	9 of 18
Time of Possession	23:59	36:01

The Buckeyes took their first lead of the game when Bellisari and Sanders connected from seven yards out. Once again the conversion attempt failed. On OSU's next possession Eugene Wilson intercepted a Bellisari pass to give the Illini the ball at their own 15-yard line. On the last play from scrimmage in the third quarter Kittner ran the ball to the two yard line before falling hard. Kittner was down and Ohio State held a third quarter 18-14 lead.

Dustin Ward replaced Kittner under center and the Illini had the ball at first and goal from the OSU 2. On the second play of the quarter, Ward found Jameel Cook in the endzone to put Illinois up 21-18.

The Buckeyes' next drive lasted more than eight minutes ending with another Stultz field goal tying the game at 21. With six seconds remaining Stultz lined up and made his fourth field goal of the day for a 24-21 OSU victory.

With no time left on the clock Ohio State placekicker Dan Stultz hit a 34-yard field goal to give Ohio State a 24-21 victory on Senior Day in Champaign.

Illinois jumped out to an early lead when Rocky Harvey broke loose for 29 yards and a touchdown. On the drive quarterback Kurt Kittner marched the Illini 54 yards in just four plays. Ohio State also scored on its opening possession when Stultz hit his first of four field goals on the day to cut the Illinois lead to 7-3. The second Stultz field goal came in the second quarter to bring the Buckeyes within one.

On the next possession Kittner's third down pass was incomplete, but an OSU penalty gave Illinois the ball back at the Buckeye 46. Three plays later Antoino Harris broke through for a 25-yard touchdown.

Ohio State scored its first touchdown of the game with 23 seconds remaining in the half. Quarterback Steve Bellisari found Darnell Sanders from one yard out; however, Bellisari's pass failed on the conversion attempt giving the Illini a 14-12 advantage at halftime.

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NORTHWESTERN 61 ILLINOIS 23

Nov. 18, 2000 • Evanston, Ill.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	2	0	21	23
Northwestern	14	14	12	21	61

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU Anderson 21 run (Long kick),
12:04 (6 pl., 43 yds, 1:53)
NU Kustok 3 run (Long kick), 7:44
(8 pl., 68 yds, 1:49)

Second Quarter

NU Anderson 10 run (Long kick),
9:43 (11 pl., 81 yds, 3:32)
ILL Team safety
NU Kustok 2 run (Long kick), 0:35
(10 pl., 39 yds, 2:46)

Third Quarter

NU Worley 1 pass from Kustok (Long blocked), 8:59 (16 pl., 88 yds, 6:01)
NU Anderson 1 run (kick failed), 0:07
(8 pl., 51 yds, 3:23)

Fourth Quarter

NU Anderson 1 run (Long kick), 13:31
(2 pl., 1 yd, 0:31)
ILL Ward 14 run (Tubbs kick), 10:14
(7 pl., 75 yds, 3:17)
NU Danielson 16 run (Huffman kick),
6:22 (12 pl., 64 yds, 3:52)
ILL Smith 31 pass from Ward (Tubbs kick), 4:23 (6 pl., 54 yds, 1:59)
NU Stuckey 23 run (Huffman kick),
2:43 (5 pl., 48 yds, 1:40)
ILL Smith 2 pass from Ward (Tubbs kick), 0:38 (9 pl., 644 yds, 2:05)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	NU
First Downs	19	35
Rushes-Yards	36-116	71-315
Passing Yards	246	163
Comp-Att-Int	20-37-1	19-32-0
Total Yards	362	478
Punts-Avg	6-26.2	3-38.7
Kickoff Returns	10-144	4-47
Penalties-Yards	5-54	8-70
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	1-0
Sacks	0-0	3-13
Third-down Conv.	4 of 16	14 of 21
Time of Possession	26:14	33:46

With quarterback Kurt Kittner on the sideline and two cornerbacks out with injuries, the Northwestern Wildcats took advantage of a depleted Illini team in its 61-23 victory over Illinois on a frigid 14-degree afternoon in Evanston, Ill.

Redshirt-freshman Dustin Ward got his first collegiate start against the Wildcats, following a concussion suffered by Kittner against OSU. Ward passed for 246 yards and connected with Dwayne Smith for two touchdown passes in the fourth quarter. Smith finished the afternoon with eight catches for 83 yards a season high for the red-shirt freshman receiver.

Northwestern jumped on the board early with two touchdowns in the first seven minutes of the game and racked up 155 yards by halftime.

Illinois got on the board in the second quarter with a safety to make the score 21-2.

The Illini came alive in the fourth quarter with three touchdowns, two to Smith and a 14-yard rushing score by Ward.

Illinois finished the season 5-6 overall and 2-6 in the Big Ten.

2001 RECRUITS

RON TURNER, ILLINOIS FOOTBALL PRESENTS 23 RECRUITS IN CLASS OF 2001

2001 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS RECRUITING CLASS

Name	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Hometown	High School/JC
James Cooper	5-11	185	DB	South Holland, Ill.	Thornton Township
Sedrick Davenport	6-0	175	DB	Bolingbrook, Ill.	Bolingbrook
Matt Dlugolecki	6-5	220	QB	Coto De Caza, Calif.	Santa Margarita
Cory Flisakowski	6-2	215	FB	Stevens Point, Wis.	Stevens Point Area
Jim Goranson	6-4	220	LB	Elk Grove, Ill.	Elk Grove
Mike Hall	5-10	175	DB	Bakersfield, Calif.	Bakersfield College
Jamie Hanton	6-4	290	DT	Corona, Calif.	Chaffey College (JC)
Mario Ivy	6-3	225	DE	Edwardsville, Ill.	Ellsworth JC
Abe Jones	5-11	179	RB	Rolling Meadows, Ill.	Rolling Meadows
Kendrick Jones	6-3	170	WR	East St. Louis, Ill.	East St. Louis
Taman Jordan	5-11	185	DB	Tempe, Ariz.	Marcos De Niza
Kyle Kleckner	6-0	185	DB	Downers Grove, Ill.	Downers Grove North
Antonio Mason	6-0	240	LB	St. Louis, Mo.	Pattonville
Ryan Matha	6-1	250	DT	Dixon, Ill.	Dixon
Chuck Moore	6-4	200	DB	Elk Grove, Ill.	Elk Grove
Rob Needham	6-6	305	OL	Arlington Heights, Ill.	Rolling Meadows
T.W. Norman	6-3	240	LB	Stockton, Mo.	Stockton
Brian Schaefering	6-5	210	LB	St. Louis, Mo.	Hazelwood East
Kyle Schnettgoecke	6-4	252	OL	St. Louis, Mo.	Chaminade Col. Prep
Matt Sinclair	6-3	225	LB	St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis University HS
Morris Virgil	5-10	185	RB	Urbana, Ill.	Urbana
Steve Weatherford	6-4	205	K	Terre Haute, Ind.	Terre Haute North
Lionel Williams	6-5	240	DL	Addison, Ill.	Addison Trail

JAMES COOPER

5-11, 185, DB, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILL./THORNTON TOWNSHIP

High School: Football letterwinner under Coach Bill Mosel at Thornton Township High School ... Chicago Sun Times Top-100 all-area athlete ... Totaled 27 tackles and one interception as a junior as well as 667 yards rushing, five touchdowns and a kickoff return for touchdown ... An all-area performer ... Helped lead his team to the 6A state playoffs in 2000 and tallied four tackles and one deflection in the game.

SEDRICK DAVENPORT

6-0, 175, DB, BOLINGBROOK, ILL./BOLINGBROOK

High School: Earned four football letters under Coach Phil Acton at Bolingbrook High School ... Tallied 70 tackles and picked off three passes as a senior ... Played wide receiver on Bolingbrook's record-setting passing offense ... Also registered over 1,000 yards receiving and two 90-yard kickoff returns in 2000 ... Named to the SuperPrep All-Midwest team ... Totaled five interceptions as a junior and no opponent scored a passing touchdown against the Raiders that season ... Named to the Champaign News-Gazette and Chicago Tribune all-state team ... All-area by the Daily Southtown, Daily Herald and Bolingbrook Sun ... Two-time all-conference selection ... Also lettered in track.

MATT DLUGOLECKI

6-5, 220, QB, COTA DE CAZA, CALIF./SANTA MARGARITA

High School: Passed for 1,307 yards and 17 touchdowns as a senior ... Earned three football letters under Coach Jim Hartigan at Santa Margarita High

School ... Named Offensive Player of the Year in the Sierra League ... Led team to Sierra League Championship ... Earned first-team all-conference honors ... Had a quarterback rating of 153.60 and passed for over 2,000 yards in his career as well as 22 touchdowns and six rushing TDs ... Named to the "Best of the West" team by the Long Beach Press Telegram ... SuperPrep All-Farwest team ... Student Sports All-American ... Played in the Long Beach East-West All-Star game ... Also lettered in baseball and basketball.

CORY FLISAKOWSKI

6-2, 215, FB, STEVENS POINT, WIS./STEVENS POINT

High School: Three-year football letterwinner for Coach Pete McAdams at Stevens Point Area Senior High (SPASH) ... Rushed for 1,047 yards and 10 touchdowns as a senior ... Had a career-high 1,959 yards rushing and 21 touchdowns as a junior ... During sophomore year scored 16 touchdowns on 116 yards rushing ... Averaged over seven yards a carry for his career ... Earned first-team all-conference honors in 1998, '99 and 2000 ... Named to the first-team all-state team as a senior ... Was named the team's Most Valuable Player for three consecutive years ... Earned four letters in track and field ... Placed fifth in the 4x400 relay at state in 1999.

JIM GORANSON

6-4, 220, LB, ELK GROVE, ILL./ELK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

High School: Three-year football letterwinner for Coach Bruce Bazsali ... Named to the Chicago Tribune All-State first-team as well as first-team all-state by the Champaign News-Gazette ... Tallied 101 tackles, eight sacks and three interceptions ... Earned all-area honors from Arlington Heights Daily Herald and Pioneer Press ... SuperPrep All-Region ... Named to Rivals.com

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All-State team ... Graduated high school in three and a half years and enrolled at the University of Illinois in January 2001 ... Also earned three letters in track and field.

MIKE HALL

5-10, 175, CB, BAKERSFIELD, CALIF./BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

Junior
College: Earned all-conference and all-america honors ... Tallied seven interceptions in his first season at Bakersfield College and eight in his second ... Garnered Defensive Player of the Year honors in the league ... Named the defensive player of the game in the Potato Bowl ... Was the team's Most Valuable Player ... Also ran track, winning the conference title in the 100 and 200 meters ... Also competed in the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

High School: Lettered in football, basketball and track ... Three-time selection to the All-Sequoia League ... Earned Most Valuable Player honors as a sophomore ... Named MVP of league as a senior and Most Outstanding Player of his team ... Ran the 100 meters in 10.5 seconds and posted a time of 22.00 in the 200 meters ... Also ran the 4x400 relay and competed in the long jump.

JAMIE HANTON

6-4, 290, DT, CORONA, CALIF./CHAFFEY COLLEGE

Junior College: Earned two football letters from Chaffey College under Coach Carl Beach ... Recorded 45 tackles and six sacks as a sophomore ... Earned second team all-conference honors in 2000 ... Also won letters in track and football at Corona Centennial High School.

MARIO IVY

6-3, 225, DE, EDWARDSVILLE, ILL./ELLSWORTH JC

Junior College: Was a first-team all-region and all-conference at Ellsworth Junior College under Coach Chad Haynes ... Named the conference's defensive MVP ... Second-team All-American.

High School: Earned letters in track and football at Edwardsville High School under Coach Tim Dougherty ... Named second-team all-state and first team all-conference ... St. Louis Post-Dispatch all-area team ... Garnered defensive Most Valuable Player honors in all-star game after recording 11 tackles and two sacks.

ABE JONES

5-11, 179, RB, ROLLING MEADOWS, ILL./ROLLING MEADOWS

High School: Earned two football letters for Coach Doug Millsaps at Rolling Meadows High School ... Had 1,100 rushing yards as a senior ... Rushed for 2,280 yards and 30 touchdowns on 268 carries, averaging 8.3 yards per carry his junior year ... Named to the all-conference and all-area teams in both 1999 and 2000 ... Garnered 1999 Mid-Suburban Player of the Year honors ... Named to the SuperPrep All-Midwest team ... Led team to an 8-2 record in 1999 ... Won conference title both junior and senior seasons ... Earned four track letters ... Broke the school record in the 100 and 400 meters as well as the 110 and 300 meter hurdles ... Won the state title in the 110 meter hurdles and placed second in the 300 hurdles.

KENDRICK JONES

6-3, 170, WR, E. ST. LOUIS, ILL./E. ST. LOUIS

High School: St. Louis Post Dispatch all-Metro first-team selection ... Two-year letterwinner for Coach Darren Sunkett at East St. Louis High School ... Caught 27 passes for 739 yards, an average of 27.4 yards per catch ...

Returned a 90-yard kickoff for a touchdown and caught a 99-yard TD pass against Sumner ... Registered 10 catches for 194 yards vs. O'Fallon ... Earned honorable mention all-state honors ... Tallied seven games with over 100 yards receiving ... Also named to the all-area team ... Earned three letters in baseball.

TAMAN JORDAN

5-11, 1805 DB, TEMPE, ARIZ./MARCOS DE NIZA

High School: Earned three varsity football letters under Coach Tom Joseph at Marcos De Niza High School ... Three-year starter ... Registered 18 solo tackles, three interceptions and caused one fumble ... Named Offensive Player of the Year for 5A central region ... Recorded 27 receptions for 564 yards and 15 touchdowns as well as 77 carries for 344 yards ... Earned all-state honors as a senior ... An all-city and first-team all-region selection ... Averaged over 25 yards per kickoff return and 10 yards per punt return ... Helped lead team to state quarterfinals as a junior ... Will play in the Arizona All-Star game this summer ... Also lettered in basketball and track.

KYLE KLECKNER

6-0, 185, DB, DOWNERS GROVE, ILL./DOWNERS GROVE N.

High School: Earned three football letters under Coach Pete Ventrelli at Downers Grove North High School ... Named to the Champaign News Gazette, Chicago Sun Times and Chicago Tribune first-team all-state teams ... Arlington Heights Daily Herald Player of the Year ... Rushed for 850 yards, threw for 1,032 and caught 10 passes for 186 yards ... Against Lyons Township, scored six touchdowns and recorded two interceptions and 203 yards rushing ... Led team to conference title in 2000, elite eight in 2003 and final four in 1998 ... Named the West Suburban Silver Conference Player of the Year ... Earned Chicago Tribune and Sun Times all-area honors ... Also lettered in baseball and basketball ... All-Area basketball selection ... Averages 22.3 points per game and 6.3 rebounds ... Stole 27 bases, second all-time in school history, as a centerfielder.

ANTONIO MASON

6-0, 240, LB, ST. LOUIS, MO./PATTONVILLE

High School: Had 128 solo tackles and 67 assists as a senior ... Totaled four sacks, two fumble recoveries and an interception ... Earned two football letters under Coach Donald Greco at Pattonville High School ... St. Louis Post-Dispatch All-Metro team first team selection ... Named to the St. Louis American "All-American" team ... First-team all-state, first-team all-conference and all-district ... Registered 38 solo tackles, 28 assists, one interception and three fumble recoveries as a junior ... Led team to state championship game in 2000 ... Also earned two letters in track and field.

RYAN MATHA

6-1, 250, DT, DIXON, ILL./DIXON

High School: Tallied 68 solo tackles, eight sacks and six blocked kicks as a senior ... Also had one interception, nine fumble recoveries and five forced fumbles ... Earned three letters for Coach Bill Lech at Dixon High School ... Three-year all-conference selection, earning unanimous first-team honors as a senior ... Dixon's Defensive Player of the Year ... Named to the all-area team as a sophomore, junior and senior ... Team co-captain ... Illinois Football Coaches Association all-state team ... Area Player of the Year ... Also lettered in track and wrestling ... Placed fifth in the shot put at the indoor state championships ... Personal best in shot put is 55 feet, 9-inches.



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CHUCK MOORE**6-4, 200, DB, ELK GROVE, ILL./ELK GROVE**

High School: Three-year letterwinner for Coach Bruce Bazsali at Elk Grove High School ... Named to the Mid-Suburban All-Conference team ... Street & Smith All-American ... Named a Sporting News "Prime Prospect" ... Played both safety and quarterback as a senior, passing for over 400 yards, rushing for 600 and picking off one pass ... Recorded 24 tackles, two interceptions, six passes broken up as a senior ... Earned Arlington Heights Daily Herald Player of the Week honors ... Team's Most Valuable Player and defensive Player of the Year ... SuperPrep All-American.

ROB NEEDHAM**6-6, 30S, OL, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILL./ROLLING MEADOWS**

High School: Three-year football letterwinner for Coach Doug Millsaps ... Named to the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times all-state team ... Earned all-conference honors ... Daily Herald and Pioneer Press all-area performer ... SuperPrep All-Midwest team ... Graded out at over 95 percent as a senior and 90 percent as a junior ... Team went to IHSA championship game and was the Mid-Suburban Conference Champions for two consecutive years ... Led team to 9-1 record in 2000 ... Named as an ESPN SSA Honor Roll student ... Also earned three letters in track and field.

T.W. NORMAN**6-3, 240, LB, STOCKTON, MO./STOCKTON**

High School: Four-year letterwinner for Coach Mike Smith at Stockton High School ... Rushed for six touchdowns in a single game and recorded 20-plus tackles in two career games ... Honorable mention all-USA team by USA Today ... Finished senior season with 141 tackles, five sacks, three interceptions and 10 hurries ... MOSports.com Defensive Player of the Year ... SuperPrep All-American ... Two-time unanimous all-conference selection at linebacker and all-conference as a sophomore ... Named to the all-conference team as a running back from 1998-2000 and as a punter in 1999 and 2000 ... Earned all-state and all-district honors ... Two-time first team selection to the All-Ozarks team ... Will be participating in the Lions All-Star Game during the summer ... Also earned four letters in basketball ... Unanimous all-state basketball selection.

BRIAN SCHAEFERING**6-5, 210, DL, ST. LOUIS, MO./HAZELWOOD EAST**

High School: Earned three football letters under Coach Rick Gorzynski at Hazelwood East High School ... First-team all-state, two-time first-team all-Suburban North and first-team North district ... Two-time all-conference selection ... Had seven quarterback sacks, 130 tackles and two interceptions as a senior ... Recorded 22 solo tackles in a single game in 2000 ... Averaged 46.93 yards per punt ... SuperPrep All-Midlands team ... Posted 60 tackles and six blocked punts as a junior ... Also earned letters in track.

KYLE SCHNETTGOECKE**6-4, 252, OL, ST. LOUIS, MO./CHAMINADE COL. PREP**

High School: Earned three letters for Coach Doug Taylor at Chaminade College Prep School ... First-team all-conference as a sophomore, junior and senior ... MO KAN Magazine Football Top-25 player ... SuperPrep All-Midlands team ... St. Louis Post-Dispatch Top-30 Player ... Led his team to a conference championship as a sophomore and to the district title as a junior ... Two-time All-Metro selection ... Also earned letters in basketball and track.

MATT SINCLAIR**6-3, 225, LB, ST. LOUIS, MO./ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY HS**

High School: Earned three football letters under Coach Gary Kornfeld at St. Louis University High School ... Honorable mention all-USA team by USA Today ... Recorded 121 solo tackles, 14 assists, two fumble recoveries and two interceptions ... Averaged 12 tackles a game ... Conference Player of the Year ... Named the SuperPrep Midwest Defensive Player of the Year ... SuperPrep All-American ... St. Louis Post-Dispatch Metro Defensive Player of the Year ... Prep Star All-American ... Recorded 25 catches for 530 yards as a tight end ... Ended career second on SLUH career tackles list ... Helped lead team to two district championships ... Selected to play in the Missouri Lyons All-Star Game ... Team reached 5A state semifinals as a junior ... Also earned three letters in basketball.

MORRIS VIRGIL**5-10, 185, RB, URBANA, ILL./URBANA**

High School: Earned three football letters under Coach Alec Anderson ... Rushed for 1,585 yards and 29 touchdowns as a senior ... Broke school records for most rushing yards, most touchdowns and most points scored in a season, as well as for total career yards ... USA Today honorable mention All-American ... Earned first-team all-conference honors ... Scored five touchdowns (two punt returns, one kickoff return and two rushing TDs) against Champaign Central ... Named to the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times all-state team ... Earned all-state honors from the Champaign News Gazette ... Rated as a top running back by Tom Lemming, ESPN.com and Rivals.com ... Played in the All-State Shrine All-Star game ... Also earned four track and field letters ... Ran the 100 meters in 10.3, an Urbana High School track record.

STEVE WEATHERFORD**6-4, 205 PK, TERRE HAUTE, IND./TERRE HAUTE NORTH**



High School: Earned three football letters for Coach Wayne Stahley at Terre Haute North High School ... Set records for most field goals in a career, best punting average and longest field goal made (55 yards vs. Lawrence North) ... Made 37-of-40 extra point attempts ... Converted on seven field goals over 40 yards ... Averaged 45.4 yards per punt and has a 4.26 seconds hang time ... Earned all-state honors as a kicker for two consecutive years ... Named to the all-conference team ... Also played strong safety and had two interceptions, one for a touchdown ... Also a three-time all-county forward in soccer ... Earned 10 letters in track, basketball and soccer ... Named to the all-state track team three times ... Set a junior Olympic record in the 4x800 meters ... Also set school record in the 300-meter hurdles (39.34).

LIONEL WILLIAMS**6-5, 240, DL, ADDISON, ILL./ADDISON TRAIL**

High School: Earned four football letters under Coach Paul Parpet at Addison Trail High School ... Totaled 80 tackles and 25 sacks ... Named to the all-state team as a junior and a senior ... Two-time all-area and all-conference selection ... SuperPrep All-American.

BIG TEN



											
Aug. 25											Virginia (Eddie Robinson)
Sept. 1	at California		Kent	Miami (OH)		at Toledo			Miami (FL)	at Cincinnati	at Oregon
Sept. 8	Northern Illinois	at N.C. State	Miami (OH)	at Washington	Central Michigan	SW Louisiana	at UNLV	Akron			Fresno State
Sept. 15	Louisville	Kentucky	at Iowa State	Western Michigan	Missouri	Baylor	Navy	San Diego State	at Virginia (Sept. 13)	Notre Dame	Western Kentucky
Sept. 22	at Michigan	Utah			at Notre Dame		at Duke	at UCLA	Wisconsin	Akron	at Penn State
Sept. 29		Ohio State	Penn State		at N'western	Purdue	Michigan State	at Indiana	at Iowa	at Minnesota	
Oct. 6	Minnesota	at Wisconsin	at Purdue	at Penn State			at Ohio State	N'western	Michigan	Iowa	Indiana
Oct. 13	at Indiana		at Michigan State	Purdue	Iowa	at N'western	Minnesota	Wisconsin		at Michigan	at Ohio State
Oct. 20	Wisconsin	at Iowa	Indiana		at Minnesota	Michigan State	Penn State		at N'western		
Oct. 27			Michigan	at Iowa	at Wisconsin		at Purdue	at Penn State	Ohio State	N'western	Michigan State
Nov. 3	at Purdue	N'western	at Wisconsin	at Michigan State	Michigan	Ohio State	at Indiana	at Minnesota	Southern Mississippi		Iowa
Nov. 10	Penn State	at Michigan State	at N'western	Minnesota	Indiana	at Michigan	Iowa	Purdue		at Ohio State	
Nov. 17	at Ohio State	at Penn State	Minnesota	at Wisconsin	at Purdue	at Iowa			Indiana	Michigan State	Michigan
Nov. 24	N'western (Nov. 22)	Purdue		Ohio State	Penn State	Wisconsin		at Michigan	at Michigan State	at Indiana	at Minnesota

ILLINOIS

Spring Practice Schedule

MARCH

March 21 Wed.

March 22 Thurs.

March 24 Sat.

March 26 Mon.

March 29 Thurs.

March 30 Fri.

March 31 Sat.

APRIL

April 2 Mon.

April 4 Wed.

April 5 Thurs.

April 7 Sat.

April 9 Mon.

April 11 Wed.

April 12 Thurs.

April 14 Sat., Spring Game, 2:00 p.m.



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Pro Football Weekly